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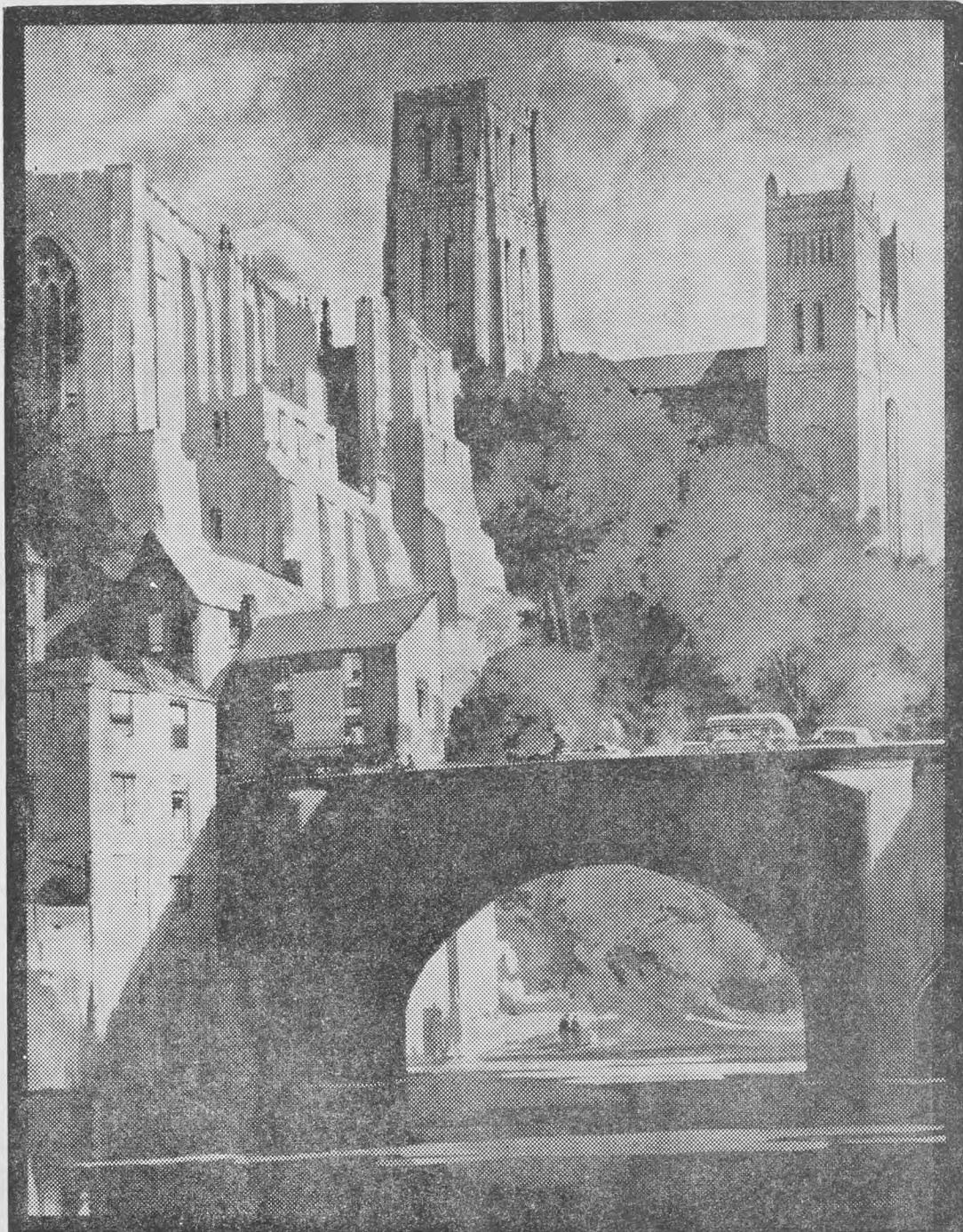
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The Bishop's Page

My dear people:

Canon H. G. G. Herklots has consented to write for us from time to time. His first article is printed this month. Until quite recently he was Youth Secretary of the British Council in Churches. Living and working thus at the heart of this great movement uniquely qualifies him to tell us what the churches are thinking and doing over there. At present he is Director of Religious Education for the diocese of Sheffield and a Canon of the diocese. Canon Herklots also knows Canadian Church life at first hand having been for some years a Professor at St. John's College and Canon of St. John's Cathedral, Winnipeg. He is the author of several books, the latest has just come to hand, "For Such a Time as This." It is my purpose to review it for you next month. Meanwhile, we have the privilege of reading his review of "Towards the Conversion of England." I cannot say how proud and glad I am to number him among our contributors.

The Reverend David L. Greene, Rector of Emerson, Manitoba, has joined the ranks of contributors. Two articles have already appeared and the third—"Name your Sign for Victory" is printed in this issue. He never fails to capture the imagination and to carry us along with him to the desired goal. He is a welcome guest.

From grateful acknowledgement of the help of these two friends I turn to consider with you what I am here calling the movement "**Towards the Conversion of Canada**," obviously a borrowed phrase. It is not intended to replace our own title for the same thing namely A.A.A. but rather to emphasize by the use of a new phrase the real purpose of our own national church movement.

Conversion is a good old-fashioned word. But it has suffered at the hands of its friends and enemies alike. The Church in England is trying to reclaim it. In our own way that is also what we are trying to do.

Manufacturers are now **converting** from war to peace production. It is a necessary change if they are to meet the needs of the people. The Church is **converting** too. It also is a necessary change if we are to meet the needs of the world. Conversion means, "Turning around and facing the other way." It is not my purpose to try to say all that conversion means but merely to say what it **always** means. It always means turning to God and with the light, life and love kindled by that act turning again to face the world.

A text will help to make this clear. "The Lord shall keep thy going out and thy coming in." The church that is converted faces two ways. Not long ago I watched the throngs of worshippers "going in" to the Cathedral. A wiser onlooker than I might have read the faces of the fathers, mothers, sons and daughters as they went in. It would take a poet or an artist to read the writing but there would be a story worth the telling. All manner of joys,

sorrows, memories, fears, regrets and it may be shame went through those doors. But even my purblind eyes could read some of the writing,—there was hope, courage and faith written clear. That is the picture of the world turning and facing the right way—towards the light—in short, a picture of the converted church moving in the right direction. But a church which makes but one turn is only half converted.

About an hour later the procession is reversed. The people who went in came streaming out, dispersing quickly in all directions. Here is another conversion; a necessary change; a turning around to face the other way. A wise onlooker might read this new writing and find all manner of sorrows assuaged, fears allayed, joys enhanced, burdens lifted, hopes confirmed and sins forgiven. The church now stands behind them—the shadows fall behind them. This going out is very important. It needs to be rightly done. It is a pretty complicated world we face as we stand at the Church door looking out. It is a world full of dangers. The chief danger is that of unspoken, preoccupied indifference. The vast majority of the people who work and play in the world are silent towards the things from which the congregation has come—the great realities. They are not hostile, merely silent or indifferent. They have never or rarely turned to God. When, therefore, we turn to go out it should be with the resolve to add our little work to the long human story of Christian endeavour; our testimony to the light and truth we have seen. The greatest weakness of our church is in its going out. We are silent when we ought to speak. The other day I read a news reporter's account of a debate in the Church Assembly on the report which Canon Herklots has reviewed for us. It ran something like this. "The report was eloquently presented and the debate maintained a high standard throughout the day. But the highlight of the whole day of discussion came when a young girl stood up and said: 'Four years ago I was an agnostic but I have now come to see that the light and hope of the world is Our Lord Jesus Christ. The Church which goes out with Him will convert England'."

This moving testimony spoken so simply cut clean through all the arguments and went straight to the heart of the matter. There followed loud and prolonged applause." The Church that goes out with Him and can thus straight forwardly witness will convert Canada too. The Church that turns in to God and out to the world has the answer.

Yours faithfully,

Walter Solomon

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Editorial

Archbishop's Visit at Epiphany

The visit of the Most Reverend Derwyn T. Owen, the Primate of All Canada to the Diocese was an event which most Anglicans in Edmonton will not soon forget. We were particularly fortunate in that on the very day our Church in Canada inaugurated its Advance Appeal for Rededication and Thanksgiving we were able to enjoy the presence and inspiring leadership of his Grace.

As far as we can recall it is the first time the Primate of our Church has spent a period of as long as five days in our Diocese engaged in assisting the work of our Church, and it makes us realize what we have missed, and what other Dioceses are missing too.

The Primate, as Archbishop of Toronto, has more than enough to keep him fully occupied with his own Diocesan duties. We hope the day is not far distant when our Primates will be relieved of many diocesan duties, and be free to devote their leadership and inspiration to all the twenty-seven dioceses across

Canada, and in some measure, to quote St. Paul "to assume the care of all the Churches."

It is our hope that the enthusiasm of Edmonton's response to the launching of the Anglican Advance Appeal will also prove of some encouragement and help to the Primate as he continues his visitation of several other of our western Dioceses.

U.N.O. Meeting in London

Of outstanding interest and concern to all people is the meeting in Central Hall, London, of the United Nations Organization, seeking to find some formulae which will enable nations to live at peace with one another.

It was on Nov. 25th, 1920, one year after the Armistice was signed, that a somewhat similar gathering met in the Hall of the Reformation in Geneva, Switzerland. At that time, amid general optimism and rejoicing, some forty-one nations convened for the first assembly. Both the United States of America and Soviet Russia were absent, but hopes ran high nonetheless, and it was confidently believed that the moral, spiritual and physical lessons of World War I had been learned, and that in the future wars would become merely a malodorous memory.

Much has happened to dispel that confidence, and a second World War wrote "finis" to the League of Nations. This new United Nations Organization has the support of the two great world powers absent from the old League, and it can also profit from the experiences of the past twenty-five years. It promises to be more realistic than idealistic in its approach to the world's problems, and it knows that there are times when moral suasion has to be supported by the threat of use of united force. This will prove the thorny issue, just as the invoking of sanctions against fascist Italy failed when put to the test, but if the Big Three, Britain, United States and Russia can learn to work together in confidence and harmony, the United Nations Organization should surmount most of its difficulties promptly, and help to usher in an age free from recurrent wars.

It must be apparent to the statesmen of our world that there will be times when their nations will have to give way in the interests of others, and the Big Three will have to set an example in willingness to sacrifice for the sake of peace. Ultimately the measure of success in the cause of peace and justice will be the willingness to serve. As our King said at the state banquet tendered the U.N.O. delegates, "Clearly, the outstanding feature of membership in the United Nations is service—not the selfish service of mere national interest, but service of the whole community of nations."



DIOCESAN NEWS



CALENDAR

February, 1946

2nd—Purification of the B.V.M.
 3rd—4th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.
 10th—5th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.
 17th—SEPTUAGESIMA.
 24th—SEXAGESIMA.
 25th—St. Matthias A. and M.
 (Transferred from Feb. 24th)

Returns Home



The Rev. S. G. West, who has just returned from chaplaincy duties overseas, and expects to re-enter parish work almost immediately.

The Bishop has appointed Mr. West to that area of the South Side of Edmonton which has been served in part by the present St. John's Church. This district has undergone great changes during the past few years, and several housing projects have resulted in a marked increase in population. We predict a growing and thriving church there in a very short time.

Diocesan President



MRS. S. F. TACKABERRY

Mrs. S. F. Tackaberry, Diocesan President of the Edmonton Diocesan W.A., who will preside at the meetings of the forthcoming W.A. Annual to be held on February 19th, 20th and 21st.

Wedding

GODKIN—WILLISON

A wedding of much interest to the Diocese took place during the Christmas season, when the Rev. N. J. Godkin, Vicar of St. Paul's, Jasper Place, and Enid I. Willison, daughter of Dr. N. and Mrs. Willison, of Saskatoon, were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bride, assisted by Archdeacon R. K. Sampson, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Saskatoon.

Miss Johanna Sigbjornson, of Leslie, Sask., was bridesmaid, and the Rev. J. Sargent was best man.

The Rev. N. J. and Mrs. Godkin will make their home at 9904 149th Street.

We join in wishing them every blessing and happiness in their married life.

Dramatic Night

On March 1st, at 8 p.m., in All Saints Parish hall the Sunday School children will have their fifth dramatic night. The programme for these evenings is based on current G.B.R.E. texts; this year Book 9 provides the material. The theme is: "God's Ten Rules for Life." By means of tableaux and dialogue the Ten Commandments will be presented on the stage Sunday Schools taking part are All Saints', All Saints' Mission, Christ Church, Fort Saskatchewan, St. Faith's, Holy Trinity, St. Luke's, St. Mary's, and St. Peter's. It is hoped that teachers will bring their children to see this programme as a means of impressing these rules on their minds, and also to see how dramatics can be of use in teaching, with simple properties and in a short space of time.

The Cathedral Building Fund

Last month we expressed our hope that the Cathedral Building Fund might reach \$10,000.00 by the end of the year. On December 31st we had received \$10,138.00. A matter which calls for great thankfulness and causes us to look to the future with real optimism!

Of this sum we have received \$8,107.00 from the organizations and members of All Saints' Cathedral, and the balance of \$2,481.00 from outside sources. The present standing of the fund (January 16th) is \$10,588.00.

Bible Quizz

1. Who lived the longest in the Bible?
2. Who Wrote the First Epistle to Timothy?
3. To whom did an angel say: "Blessed art thou among women?"
4. On what were the Ten Commandments written?
5. On what city did God send down fire and brimstone?
6. Where was St. Paul converted?
7. Whose wife looked back and became a pillar of salt?
8. What prophet foretold a drought in the land of Israel?
9. Which of the disciples was at one time a tax-gatherer?
10. What gift to Joseph made his brothers jealous?

(Answers on page 10)

The Anglican Young People's Association

The A.Y.P.A. wishes to introduce itself to the readers of THE EDMONTON CHURCHMAN. Perhaps we should say re-introduce itself, for now that most of our Young People of the Church are returning from the forces we are getting into high gear for a very successful 1946.

To those of our readers to whom the letters A.Y.P.A. are just four letters of the alphabet, we would like to explain just who and what we are.

The Anglican Young People's Association was first started in 1903 and was nursed from a very humble beginning to become the official body for the Young People in the Anglican Church. There are branches in every Diocese in Canada and several newly-formed ones in the British Isles.

The motto of the A.Y.P.A. is: "For Christ and the Church." We follow a four-fold program:

1. WORSHIP—Which consists of discussions on religious topics, special services with the members taking part, and corporate communion once a month.

2. WORK—Consists of doing odd jobs around the church, helping the rector with his visiting, and raising money to help defray the expenses of the Church, the Sunday School by Post, and of the Association.

3. FELLOWSHIP—Consists of dances, parties, sleigh rides, bowling, hikes, and all activities to further a feeling of fellowship amongst the members.

4. EDIFICATION—Includes dramatics, educational lantern slides, debates, visits to industrial plants, etc.

This four-fold program gives incentive that we may truly build "FOR CHRIST AND THE CHURCH."

Your Council

Yes, the Edmonton Diocesan Council of the A.Y.P.A. is your Council. It is formed of representatives from each of the groups throughout the Diocese for the purpose of helping them and in forming new branches in parishes where they do not as yet exist. To assist the country branches we have recently established a traveling fund to help defray expenses of country members wishing to attend council meetings. We also have a traveling group who visit the country parishes to help organize branches or to try to put new life into existing branches.

May we, at this time, extend our best wishes for a happy future to three newly-formed groups, namely, St. Stephen's, Edmonton; St. Mary's, Jasper; and St. Paul's, Jasper Place. To these and to all branches in the Diocese, the Council is

here to help you. We have recently obtained new program suggestions to aid you in following the four-fold program. Any inquiries to our secretary, Miss Kennedy Clouston, 12214 Jasper Avenue, will be promptly answered.

Activities

The travelling group are visiting: St Paul's, Jasper Place, on Tuesday, January 22nd. The following Sunday they will go to Camrose, and they have a very full day planned.

The Public Speaking Contest, held annually for the Canon Pierce Goulding Cup, will be held this year on the 4th of February in All Saints' Parish hall.

Youth Leader's Visit

The Reverend L. A. C. Smith, well known by now to many of our young people, will spend two weeks in the Diocese in February. His programme is printed on this page. For two years in succession he has been at Kapasiwin Summer School and has already made a place for himself in the life of the Diocese. During his February visit, through the programme which has been arranged, he will be able to reach a much wider group than was possible at Kapasiwin. Over the air on Sunday morning, February 17th, he can talk to the whole Diocese. The A.Y.P.A. of the city and district are to have the benefit of one full evening at All Saints' Cathedral hall, the Sunday School teachers of Edmonton and district will have supper together at St. Peter's, when he will give them the benefit of the latest developments in Visual Education. Read the programme carefully and plan to enjoy one or other of the opportunities presented.

Dorcas Headquarters

At last the W.A. has the long-desired Dorcas Room. Through the courtesy of the Synod Office the W.A. will have the use of a room for Dorcas supplies. Bales from branches will be received there, addressed to: Mrs. H. J. Wilson, c/o The Synod Office, 10029 103rd Street.

Dominion C.B.L. Secretary to Attend W.A. Annual

News has been received that Mrs. W. Rollerson, of Winnipeg, the Dominion Secretary of the Church Boys' League, will visit Edmonton in order to be present and speak to the delegates at the forthcoming Annual Meeting.

WESTERN FIELD SECRETARY G.B.R.E. FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT

THE REVEREND L. A. C. SMITH, B.D.

PROGRAMME

Tuesday, February 12th to 14th—Vermilion Deanery.

(Details to be arranged by the Rural Dean.)

Friday, February 15th—Sunday School Teachers' Association supper meeting, 6.30 p.m., St. Peter's Parish hall, Edmonton.

Subject: "Visual Aids in Church, Home and Community."

Sunday, February 17th—11 a.m., Christ Church, Edmonton.

(Broadcast over CJCA.)

7.30 p.m. All Saints' Cathedral.

Monday, February 18th—A.Y.P.A. Fireside, 8.30 p.m., in All Saints' Parish hall, for the A.Y.P.A.'s of Edmonton and surrounding district.

Tuesday, February 19th—W.A. Annual, Communion Service at Holy Trinity Church, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, February 20th—Address, W.A. Annual.

Thursday, February 21st—Camrose.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, February 22nd, 23rd, 24th—Wetaskiwin and Ponoka.

Around the Diocese

By the BISHOP

When I left off last month a long trip, to which I always look forward, lay ahead of me. I was about to set out and the weather prophets threatened a further drop. But without any difficulty we (Fred, Glanfield of Hoadley came along and did most of the driving) were able to carry out my work according to plan.

Saturday, December 15th, we arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Destrube in time for dinner. During the past five years I have often been welcomed in their home, arriving at all hours in all kinds of weather. The hospitality appears to be inexhaustible. It is, I must add, the same in quality for any priest who arrives with the Word and the Sacraments. During Saturday night the temperature dropped to 40 below zero and even my car rebelled at being left out in that temperature all night. However, Mr. Destrube started his Ford truck in the morning and we were all able to get to church for the Christmas Communion. In spite of the temperature there was a good congregation in the beautiful little church so painstakingly and artistically decorated the day before. Most of the congregation had had to walk about two and a half miles. The children could not come out so an adult had to be left in each home to tend the fires. A Christmas service in such circumstances does have a quality that transcends language. Do you wonder that I look forward to this journey four or five times a year?

Sunday Evening, December 15th—Service was held at Ashmont about forty miles distant. Mr. Destrube and Fred spent most of the afternoon getting my car started but we were on time for service. A good congregation, including Cedric and Tony Ashdown, recently returned from overseas, was assembled. I spoke about Christmas as the family feast—the family united round the altar. It was a happy service. Most of the young people whom I confirmed before Miss Grundy left made their communion with us. After the service I was obliged to return to St. Paul to find a heated garage for the car and so was not able to accept the kind hospitality of Capt. and Mrs. Ashdown.

Monday, December 16th—We travelled to the Galway's for service at 2.30 p.m. The congregation were ALL there and I should add that except for sickness they are always ALL present. When there is any

sickness, not of a contagious or infectious nature, the services are held in the house where the patient is. There is no church. It is reminiscent of the first vital beginnings of the Church in the New Testament—The Upper Room. Without instrument of any kind the service and the hymns are beautifully sung. (I refer, of course, to the people's part.) Mr. Galway, an old chorister, gives a true lead. When service is ended the confirmation class is held. Everybody attends. Five boys are working hard at their catechism and making fine progress—three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths and two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Midwinter. (I was so glad to see Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths at the Cathedral when the Primate was here. They were on one of their rare brief holidays.) That day Mr. and Mrs. B. Lea-Wilson had had word of the safe return of their youngest son from overseas. There was a real family Eucharist. Cheered by the warmth and strength of the Christian fellowship which abounds there I resumed my journey.

At Glendon I was greeted by the few faithful in the Lutheran church, where our services are held by the kind permission of the Lutheran pastor who usually attends. It was good to see Mrs. Sherk who came home to make her Christmas communion and to play the organ.

From Glendon we returned to the Destrube's again for dinner. (You will have gathered by this time that the Bishop knows on which side his bread is buttered.) After dinner we set out for Bonnyville. This is the first time I have held a service in Bonnyville. It is a predominantly Roman Catholic community but there are now three families of our people there. The service was held in the living room of Mr. and Mrs. Tustin—five others made their communion, Mr. and Mrs. Chester, Jack and Joyce, and Mr. Beaupre.

Tuesday, December 17th, after lunch we set out on the last lap of our outward journey to Grand Centre (near Cold Lake). Arriving without mishap at Mr. Brady's store we were greeted by Victor Chancellor, one of Mr. Ayre's helpers. The rest of the afternoon was spent in the church watching the people decorate for the services next day. Here we have a handsome and commodious church building—complete in almost every detail. The consecration service is planned for next July. Mr.

Ayres and his people have accomplished great things during the past three years. In due course we will publish a cut of the church building.

Tuesday evening we spent at Mr. Ayre's farm home, where Christmas dinner was served. (I hesitate to mention dinner again but after all one does have to eat occasionally on a ten-day trip.) The beautiful appointments of house and table showed that Mrs. Wotherspoon understands the arts and sciences involved. Music, happy fellowship and family prayers followed. Then to rest.

The services of Wednesday, December 19th, at Grand Centre were as follows: Holy Communion, 11 a.m.; Confirmation, 2.30; Evensong, 3.30. After Evensong I presented beautifully monographed pocket books to all the returned men, 15, I think, and then distributed bags of sweets to the children. I believe that I addressed the people four times that day. A test of their endurance. It was a happy day for me and the last service of a happy long weekend. We travelled something over five hundred miles.

Thursday, December 20th, back in Edmonton where I met the Executive Committee in the Synod office. One of the subjects under discussion was "THE EDMONTON CHURCHMAN" which has just ended its first year. It is increasingly evident to me that this Diocesan effort is generally appreciated and widely read. I want here to put in a "plug" for it. It costs more than we receive from subscriptions and from advertising. But it is worth the cost. I would like to suggest that when you have a little extra to spare for a good cause remember THE EDMONTON CHURCHMAN.

Friday, December 21st, I spent in the office.

(To be Continued)

The Bible and the Eggs

Clergy and Sunday School teachers may be glad to pass on the following story to their young folk. A colporteur was selling copies of the New Testament to the Sudanese. Sale was by barter, and the customer "paid" two eggs for his copy. In due course he returned and said he had been reading something in the Book and he now wanted to pay for it. The colporteur reminded him that he had already paid his eggs for it. "Oh, yes," he said, "I know, but the eggs I gave you were bad, and now I have come to pay two good eggs for it. That is what I have learnt."

—CHURCH OF ENGLAND Newspaper



Woman's Auxiliary

THE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING of the EDMONTON DIOCESAN BOARD of the

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY to the MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN CANADA

To Be Held at All Saints' Cathedral and Parish Hall, and Holy Trinity, Edmonton
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19th, 20th and 21st, 1946

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19th

Holy Trinity Church

Theme of Annual: "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free." —Gal. V: 1.

9.00 a.m.—Registration in Holy Trinity Hall.

10.00—Annual Corporate Communion. Celebrant: Right Reverend W. F. Barfoot, D.D., Bishop of Edmonton. Presentation of Diocesan Thank-offering.

12 noon—Luncheon in Holy Trinity Hall. Welcome: Mrs. C. F. Bannard, St. Mary's Evening Group. Reply: Mrs. A. Wallis, Camrose.

1.45 p.m.—All Saints' Hall.

Hymn and Prayers.

Welcome to all Delegates: President of All Saints' W.A. Roll Call, Greetings, and Announcements.

Review of the Year:

Recording and Corresponding, Secs. President's Address. Dorcas, Educational Secretaries. Sunday School by Post Secretary. Council for Social Service Secretary.

3.45 p.m.—The Bishop's Hour.

All Saints' Cathedral

8.00 p.m.—Evensong.

The Very Reverend the Dean of Edmonton.

Miss Margaret Babington, O.B.E., will give an Illustrated Address on Canterbury Cathedral.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20th

All Saints' Hall

9.30 a.m.—Hymn and Prayers. Minutes, Correspondence, and Question Box. Review of the Year—Continued: E.C.D., U.T.O., Living Message Secretaries, and Prayer Partner Secretary. Treasurer. Consideration of Dominion and Diocesan Pledges and Appeals. Voting of Funds; Diocesan Thank-offering; Offerings; E.C.D. Report of Convenor of Nominations, Mrs. E. Currey.

12 noon—Noontide Prayers. Luncheon in Empire Room of Hudson's Bay Store.

1.30 p.m.—Hymn, Prayers.

Correspondence; Question Box. Report of Credentials' Committee.

Guest Speaker.

The Service of Youth: Little Helpers', Juniors' and Girls' Secretaries. Discussion: "Promotion from one department to next." Candidates' Secretary. Deanery W.A. Reports. Closing of Ballot Box.

4.00 p.m.—Life Members' Hour.

8.00 p.m.—Reception for Out-of-Town Delegates at See House, 10416 131st Street.

"Be careful for nothing: but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." —Phil. IV: 6.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21st

All Saints' Hall

9.30 a.m.—Celebration of Holy Communion. Celebrant, The Very Reverend A. M. Trendell, Dean of Edmonton.

10.00 a.m.—Minutes; Correspondence; Announcement of Officers for 1946. Question Box.

Hay River Hospital News.

Reports of Standing Committees. Hospital Visiting; St. Catherine's Residence; Book of Remembrance; Programme; War Brides; Press, and Publications.

12 noon—Noontide Prayers.

Meeting of new Executive to appoint the Honorary Officers.

Luncheon in Empire Room, Hudson's Bay Co.

1.30 p.m.—Hymn, Prayers.

Question Box. Report of Life Members' Secretary. Unfinished Business.

New Business. Election of Delegate to Dominion Annual Meeting. Votes of Thanks.

Service of Praise and Thanksgiving in the Cathedral.

Afternoon Tea in Cathedral Hall.

"Shower" of supplies for Hay River Hospital.

"GOD SAVE THE KING"

NOTICES

Delegates requiring hospitality are asked to send their names immediately to the Convenor of Hospitality, Mrs. H. Gutteridge, 10142 122nd Street, Edmonton. Phone 83640.

Registration will take place at 9.00 a.m. on Tuesday, at Holy Trinity Hall; but out-of-town delegates may register on Monday between 2.00 p.m. and 5.00 p.m., in All Saints' Parish Hall.

Delegates are expected to be in their places on time, and to remain until the close of the session.

Visit the Literature table and Youth table for the latest publications.

Each printed copy of the Officers' Annual Report—10 cents.

All women of the Church are cordially invited to attend these sessions.

Those who have the right to vote are: Presidents, two Delegates, Little Helpers', Juniors' and Girls' Secretaries or their proxies, and Life Members.

Convenor of Nominations,

Mrs. E. CURREY, 11710 86th Street,
Phone 72660.

Name Your Sign for Victory

By REV. DAVID I. GREENE, Emerson, Manitoba.

Now that we have all signed our names for victory in the 9th loan campaign let us turn the slogan around and name our sign for the victory. We have all consciously or otherwise chosen a sign. We did it this way. We dreamed about what we were going to do after we had defeated the enemy. We were going to get a good share of post-war prosperity that would minister to our pleasure; we were going to put four spoonfuls of sugar in our cup of coffee. What was the use of our scrimping and sacrificing to win the war if we did not reap some material benefit from victory?

Or, we dreamed of helping in some way to build that better world of the future; to capitalize on our war-time-acquired habit of making sacrifices for the general good; to let sympathy for the less fortunate absorb our own convenience; to tread the second mile in sharing our cost of plenty; to aid in lengthening and strengthening the arm of our Church in her outreach towards humanity; to give practical effect to our oft-stated conviction that the only cure for the world's illness is the religion of Jesus Christ, by living and propagating that faith.

Whether you have thought of it or not in this way our Allied victory has a particular meaning for you. If it has meant merely more money to spend or invest your sign for victory is the dollar sign. If you rejoiced in victory because it has brought to yourself new and unlimited opportunities to serve Christ in greater and continuing self-sacrifices then your sign for victory is the Cross. You have some predominant interest in our recent military triumph. What, more than anything else, did it mean to you? Name your sign for victory.

From that day when Jesus declared, "I, if I be lifted up from the earth will draw all men to Me," until this last war's ending when the triple-crossed Union Jack was raised over Berlin and Tokyo, the Cross has been the sign of victory. St. Paul wrote, "God forbid that I should glory save in the Cross of Jesus Christ." Emperor Constantine inspired by his famous vision of the Cross in the sky underwritten by the legend, "In this sign conquer," won his victory over Maxentius. In every individual victory over sin and evil the sign of victory has been the Cross.

THE PLUS SIGN +

Basically the Cross stands for self-denial and sacrifice. There are many expressions of these virtues, symbolized by what we might call sub-signs. St. Peter was fond of the plus sign, the sign of addition. "To your faith," he wrote, "ADD virtue." "To virtue ADD knowledge." "To knowledge ADD temperance." "To temperance ADD patience." "To patience ADD godliness." "To godliness ADD brotherly kindness." "To brotherly kindness ADD charity." What a comprehensive catalogue of the qualities connoted by the Cross! What an excellent policy for our post-war rebuilding enterprise!

The Apostle guarantees the success of this procedure. "For if these things be in you and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." We are challenged by our Anglican Advance Appeal "to strengthen the Church's work in all her present parishes . . . and in all her missionary fields." We are to ADD to the Church in our parishes those who are nominal Anglicans but not working at it and those who are of no denominational affiliation; and in our mission fields millions who have never heard the Word.

Can we do it? Re-read that story of St. Peter's memorable sermon at Pentecost. "They that gladly received His word were baptized; and the same day were ADDED unto them about three thousand souls." "And the Lord ADDED to the Church daily such as should be saved." This strengthening of the early Church was a great victory through the power of the Holy Spirit and the human agency of a man who believed in the addition sign. Name your sign for victory.

THE MINUS SIGN -

Once upon a time there was a pastor who held a series of revival meetings—a parochial mission to us Anglicans. When the excitement was all over a brother preacher asked the pastor if he had many additions to his flock. "Not many," replied the discouraged pastor, "but we had some blessed subtractions." This was a case of strengthening the Church by removing some unfruitful adherents. It raises the troublesome question whether the Church would be better off without some of her indifferent members. I know

one minister of another denomination who said he was going through his membership roll and cutting out all the deadwood. Would a church thus purged more nearly conform to the will of her Divine Founder? Would you choose the minus sign, the sign of subtraction, the sign of the pruning knife? Name your sign for victory.

The Boy Scouts organization has a symbol known as a Thanks Badge which may be presented to persons who have given meritorious service to the cause of scouting. It is the organization's sign of appreciation. Our Canadian people are loud in their praises of the service rendered by our military personnel; a service which resulted in victory. Many go further and give God the glory for His guidance and blessing upon our efforts.

But words are empty sounds unless accompanied by some tangible evidence of our gratitude. The Anglican Advance Appeal provides the means of proving our sincerity. We are challenged to re-dedicate our lives to the service of God—and a generous share of our money to strengthening the work of His Church. This combined offering of ourselves and our possessions will be our Church people's Thanks Badge.

You may be content with having dutifully raised two fingers in the V-sign for victory during the war; or with having sung God's praises in the Church's Thanksgiving Services on V-E Day and V-J Day; or you may be moved to take a part in fabricating and presenting the Church's Thanks Badge to God, and to the returned Service men and women, and to the memory of those who gave their all. Words of praise; or pious pledges to be worthy of others' sacrifices; or altruistic action. Which shall it be? Name your sign for victory.

THE MULTIPLICATION SIGN ×

Here is a section about St. Andrew and the unclean spirit. Strange association! Yet stranger still, those two unlike characters had one thing in common: they both believed in the multiplication sign for victory. When Jesus called the Galilean fisherman to follow Him, Andrew first went and found his brother and brought him to Jesus. Two times one are two. "When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man he walketh through dry places seeking rest and findeth none. Then he saith, I will return into my house. . . Then goeth he and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself and

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Memorials Dedicated at St. Catherine's, Edson

Within the past two years a notable improvement has been made in the appearance of the sanctuary of St. Catherine's Edson. This is chiefly due to two splendid gifts donated by parishioners who have worshipped in this church for many years. The first gift was that of an oak reredos and retable, and the second of an altar to correspond.

The reredos and retable are a memorial to the late Frank Glover, a pioneer resident of Edson and organist of the church for more than thirty years. Given by his wife, Lottie, and by members of the family in England, the memorial worthily commemorates one who for so many years devoted his great musical talent to the glory of God. This memorial was solemnly dedicated by Bishop Barfoot on Sunday, May 7th, 1944.

Sunday, December 9th, 1945, the Bishop was requested to dedicate as a thank-offering, for the safe return from the perils of war of Raymond and Richard Dobson, the altar, given by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dobson. This beautiful altar exactly corresponds in material and design with the reredos and retable, and together they are a continual reminder to the worshipper of the beauty and dignity which are traditionally associated with the worship of Almighty God, and of that beauty and dignity



which God requires in the hearts of those who come to worship Him.

We pray that this memorial and thank-offering may long remain to proclaim their silent message and to help all who worship in St. Catherine's to lift up their eyes from the temporal gift to the eternal Giver, and from the artifact of wood to the great and glorious Artificer "by Whom all things were made."

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Name Your Sign for Victory

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they enter in and dwell there." Seven times one are seven.

The Anglican Advance Appeal committee proposes that we use the multiplication sign for victory. It directs that we make a personal visitation to everyone in our parish and press the claims of Christ and His Church; that we invite them to join our fellowship of worship and service. If each regular worshipper brings one other our congregation is doubled. One Sunday a young lady came into my church accompanied by not one but four companions. After the service I commended her. "Oh," she replied, "I never go to church alone."

The chief difference between St. Andrew and the evil spirit was the difference between good and evil intention. Their methods were identical. They both hoped for multiplying their membership. Congregations in churches and Sunday crowds at other spots are increased by similar procedure. One parishioner brings a friend or two to church while another takes a carload somewhere else. Still another goes to church alone and wonders why there are so few people in Church. Do you believe in first finding your brother and bringing him to Christ? Or in taking a few friends in the opposite direction? Or, disregarding the principle, I am my brother's keeper, do you believe in leaving him to his own devices and going by yourself to enjoy the blessings of corporate worship?

Do you put your faith in the multiplication sign, the addition sign, or the subtraction sign for victory as applied to the Kingdom of God? Or the Thanks Badge? Which do you think will usher in the better world of our dreams: the dollar sign or the Sign of the Cross? Name your sign for Victory!

Answers to Bible Quizz

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1. Methusaleh, 969 years. (Genesis 5:27)
2. St. Paul.
3. The Virgin Mary (Luke 1: 28).
4. Tables of stone (Exodus 32: 15, 16).
5. Sodom and Gomorrah (Genesis 19:24)
6. On the road to Damascus (Acts 9: 3-9)
7. Lot's wife (Genesis 19: 26).
8. Elijah (1st Kings 17: 1).
9. Matthew, the publican (Matth. 9: 9)
10. A coat of many colours (Gen. 37: 3, 4).

The Church of England in Western Canada

By REV. T. C. B. BOON, B.A.

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In October, 1864, Bishop Anderson resigned the See of Rupert's Land, and shortly after, the Reverend Robert Machray, then Dean of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, and Vicar of Madingley, a village close by, was chosen to become his successor. The Royal Mandate for his Consecration was issued May 19th, 1865, and he was Consecrated on June 24th in the Chapel of Lambeth Palace.

Robert Machray was born in Aberdeen on the 17th of May, 1831. His mother, (Christina Macallum), who was early left a widow, had a hard struggle to bring up her family of two sons and a daughter, and so the education of young Robert was largely acquired through an uncle, Theodore Allan, who was Rector of the Academy at Nairn, and had a great reputation as a schoolmaster. Robert Machray entered the old King's College, Aberdeen, in 1847, and graduated in 1851 as the outstanding man of his year in academic achievements, particularly mathematics. In the October of that year he entered Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, and was placed 34th Wrangler in the Mathematical Tripos in January, 1855. In the May he was elected to a Fellowship, and was ordained by Bishop Turton of Ely on November 11th. In 1858, he became Dean of his College and voluntarily took charge of the Parish of Newton, where, in addition to ordinary parochial duties, he instituted night classes for his parishioners, often walking fourteen miles in bad weather and in the dark to carry on this work. In 1862, he became Vicar of Madingley, which was rather nearer Cambridge. His selection for the vacant See of Rupert's Land is generally credited to his intense and active interest in the work of the C.M.S., which was the sponsor of the majority of the Missions in Western Canada.

ON JANUARY 25, 1865, the new Bishop carried out his first Episcopal Act by ordaining to the Priesthood (in St. Paul's, Covent Garden, London) the Reverend William Carpenter Bompas, whose subsequent life was to be dedicated to missionary service in the Yukon and along the Mackenzie River. For six months before his Consecration, the

Bishop had been conferring with the four great Missionary Societies which had interests in the Diocese of Rupert's Land, and also with Bishop Anderson and Archdeacon Hunter; the two months before he sailed for Canada he spent in raising funds and organizing an English Committee to maintain public interest in the work. He had already set himself a three-fold objective for his work: to encourage a native Church; to induce each congregation to aim persistently at self-support; and to secure the ground for the Church of England.

BISHOP MACHRAY at the time was only thirty-four, the youngest Bishop of the Church of England, and, as his arrival in Western Canada marks the beginning of a new era in the history of the Church here, it was quite fitting that he should have arrived by a new route. He went from England by way of New York, through Chicago to St. Paul, Minnesota, where he was met by the late Sheriff, Honourable Colin Inkster. They then travelled by train to St. Cloud, and from there had rather a hazardous journey of four hundred miles by horse and cart across the prairies to the Red River Settlement, to which they came on October 13th, 1865. At St. John's, the Bishop was welcomed by the ringing of the Cathedral bells and met by the Reverend Abraham Cowley and the Reverend W. H. Taylor. Sheriff Inkster has left on record an account of the journey, in which he says "I shall never forget the first impression the Bishop made on me. Although I was only a mere lad, I could see he was no ordinary man, he was tall and thin, with a jet black beard and piercing black eyes. The reverence which he then inspired in me went on increasing as long as he lived."

BISHOP MACHRAY commenced his work with vigour. He took personal charge of the Parish of St. John, instituted regular monthly Communions throughout the Diocese, and proceeded to organize Parishes wherever possible. Gently, but firmly, he encouraged offertories to be taken up at the Services. Having made preparations for a Conference for May 30th, 1866, in which, in addition to the clergy, each Parish would be represented by two vestrymen, and having also

preached in every Church in the immediate neighbourhood, on January 11, 1866, he left St. John's for a Visitation which entailed a thousand miles of winter travelling, during which he visited and held Confirmations at twelve mission stations, going as far to the Northwest as Nepewewin. His outward route took him through Fairford and The Pas, and he returned by way of Qu'Appelle Lakes and Fort Ellis. From what he saw, he came to the conclusion that missionary work was hard in "this peculiarly situated country, and must be a very patient work, calling for much prayer and perseverance and faith." During his journey he found many Indians who professed Christianity and their attendance at Church Services was good, but he observed there was very little teaching of the young and a great lack of books. His determination to revive St. John's College, as a means of training men and providing higher education in the country, became firmly rooted in his mind, and it was towards this (in his opinion) outstanding necessity, that he turned his attention and bent his efforts immediately upon his return to St. John's

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The most vicious circle is the one where everything revolves around me.

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Primate's Visit Stimulates Diocesan Advance Appeal

The visit of His Grace the Primate to Edmonton, January 6th to 9th, inclusive, gave a most auspicious beginning to the Anglican Advance Appeal in this Diocese.

Archbishop Owen arrived early Sunday morning, Epiphany, and preached at Matins in All Saints' Cathedral and at Evensong in Holy Trinity. Both sermons were impressive and created an encouraging amount of discussion among both Anglicans and non-Anglicans, a fact which emphasized, in the view of the writer, at least, the Christendom rather than the denominational nature of the campaign for re-dedication.

Men's Dinner

Perhaps the highlight of the Primate's visit was the Epiphany banquet on Monday, January 7th, in the Macdonald hotel, when nearly four hundred Anglican men sat down to dinner with His Grace and afterwards listened to his most inspiring address, delivered with all the charm and force of which he is so abundantly capable.

He told how one of his first memories, as a child in England, was of the old ship "Victory," flagship of Lord Nelson, and upon which Britain's most famous admiral died. He told of climbing aboard this historic vessel where she lay anchored off Spithead and of seeing the brass plate set in her decks which marked the spot where Nelson fell.

He said that he had always felt that there was a close analogy between ships and the Christian life.

In the first place, His Grace said, the ship is a symbol of high adventure. It carries young men to little known corners of the earth, to strange and wonderful ports and to all the romance and color that the world affords.

And so is the Christian life, he said, a high adventure. For the Christian Faith itself is a vigorous and even tempestuous thing, a shouting and a turbulent pilgrimage and the Cross, that strange device, is the symbol of trouble.

Unity

There is a second likeness, declared His Grace, between the ship and the Christian life in that the former can only be made to move and be useful through the co-operation and unity of the crew. They must all work together. And so must Christians work together if the Church is to move forward.

The Primate told, in this connection how the Anglican Communion is made up of all forms and shapes and shades of opinion and how it draws all those streams of thought into one great river of worship.

His Grace described the brass plate set in the deck of old "Victory" which included the place where Nelson received his mortal wound and told of the small closet, the admiral's cabin, where the great man breathed his last. He said that the death of Nelson was a tremendous blow to the English people and cast them into deepest sorrow. But he pointed out that all victories have their essential losses, just as the life of President Roosevelt was part of the price this generation had to pay for peace.

Sacrifice

Someone must die for every victory, he said. And this is true, too, in the life that moved towards God.

The fourth analogy between ships and the Christian life, said the Primate, lay in the fact that ships always have a known destination and always get there. They always come, at last, to port. And so with the Christian. Life to him is an ordered business. It has meaning. It has purpose. And the Christian reaches the final port of God's eternal love.

His Grace was introduced by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, and a vote of thanks was moved by Mr. Frank Swallow.

On Tuesday, January 8th, Holy Communion was celebrated by the Archbishop in the Cathedral at 8.30, after which breakfast was served in All Saints' Parish hall.

Quiet Morning

A Quiet Morning in the Cathedral, led
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Proposed Remembrance Card

SPIRITUAL ADVANCE IN THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN CANADA, 1946

A SUGGESTED RULE OF LIFE

1. I will increase the quantity and improve the quality of my Church-going.
2. I will attend the Lord's Supper regularly and frequently with a joyful sense of privilege.
3. I will daily remember the work of my Church, upholding by name before God, my Bishop and my Rector, together with others who bear the responsibilities of leadership.
4. I will daily endeavour to read a portion of God's Holy Word. (Your Rector will supply a copy of the Bible Reading Fellowship booklet, which suggests a sequence for reading and gives explanatory aid.)
5. I will widen my spiritual "horizons" by seeking to know more about the faith, heritage and work of my Church at home, across Canada, and abroad.
6. I will try to be an inspiration to the children of my own home or of my Church family by sincere example and patient teaching.
7. As a member of the Church of England, I will reaffirm and fulfil my Baptismal and Confirmation Vows.
8. In thank-offering to Almighty God, I will give regularly and conscientiously towards the support of the Church's work, at home and beyond the parish.
9. I will ever look upon my membership in Christ's Church as the "First Thing" of my life, and will go forward in the enjoyment of His Calling and Service until I come to His Everlasting Kingdom.

Qu'Appelle's Suggestions for Anglican Advance

The editor finds an Advance Appeal booklet issued by the Diocese of Qu'Appelle of peculiar interest. Following are excerpts from it:

In developing this campaign it must not be forgotten that the primary object is not to raise money. When we hold a Church Service the primary purpose is Worship, not to secure an offertory. The offertory is part of the Service of Worship. So, the primary purpose of this campaign is Spiritual Awakening to develop interest in the Church and its work; to make people realize that the Church has a vital part to play in the reconstruction of the world.

The money we secure will only be an adjunct to that development. Our Church, every Church, the whole country, needs a

Spiritual Awakening and if we achieve financial success without rousing the Church and country from spiritual apathy the campaign will be a failure.

The whole campaign must, therefore, be conceived as a crusade and directed to reviving the spiritual life of the Church and the Parish. The appeal for funds should therefore at the outset, and in fact throughout the campaign, be subordinated to this end.

If we secure a Spiritual Revival the money will come easily. If we cannot, the effort will hardly be worth while. So Parochial Organization should be directed mainly to: (1) Revival of interest, and (2) parochial activities directed to that end.

The world today is in a chaotic condition. We have decisively defeated the forces of evil arrayed against us, but at terrible cost, not the least part of which is the disordered condition which exists today. To ensure peace we must re-build and, if we are Christians, we believe that the only sound basis on which to rebuild is on Christian principles. To do this our Church, every Church, must be strengthened. In this campaign we plan first to develop a realization of, and an acceptance of, this responsibility.

Lay Help

The greatest weakness of the Church today is that too many laymen consider that the work of the Church is something for the parson and the women. This has to be changed.

Men must take the same interest in the Church as they take in their boards of trade and in their service clubs. Accordingly, some effort must be made to get the laymen together where there could be a full and frank discussion of the whole problem.

Church Attendance

To secure results the Church must reach the people. This can best be done in church. To ensure revival we must fill our churches. In many places this is going to require an organized effort. Therefore consideration should be given to the following:

(a) Organization of a Lay Committee of men and women to personally canvass every parishioner and adherent and secure pledges of regular attendance at church.

(b) To make the Church a friendly place. See that at every service there is at the door a sufficient number of church officers to welcome attendants and to ensure that those who have not been regular attendants feel at home.

(c) Remember that our principal aim must be to get into the Church those who have become indifferent or wandered away. To make this effective the services must be attractive. If we get full attendance we will get many who have had for a long time little interest in worship. They have to be re-educated and re-adjusted. They have to re-learn to appreciate the services. They will not learn to appreciate them in a long dull service. To win them back many clergy will have to sacrifice some of their fixed ideas and adapt themselves to the people they are seeking to reach. Therefore, services must be short, bright and interesting, with no great emphasis on dogma but a very

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For Use in All Homes

PRAYER OF RE-DEDICATION

Eternal God, Who committest to us the swift and solemn trust of life; since we know not what a day may bring forth, but only that the hour for serving Thee is always present, may we wake to the instant claims of Thy holy will, not waiting for tomorrow. Subdue by the persuasion of Thy Spirit, the resistance of our passion, indolence or fear. Consecrate with Thy presence the way our feet may go. Lift us above unrighteous anger and mistrust into faith and hope and charity by a simple and steadfast reliance on Thy sure will. In all things draw us to the mind of Christ, that Thy lost image may once again be traced in us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR DAILY WORK

Set forth before our minds and hearts, O heavenly Father, the example of our Lord Jesus Christ Who, when He was upon earth, found His refreshment in doing the will of Him that sent Him, and in finishing His work. When many are coming and going, and there is little leisure, give us grace to remember Him Who knew neither impatience of spirit nor confusion of work, but in the midst of all His labours held communion with Thee, and even upon earth was still in heaven, where now he reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit world without end. Amen.

I Believe in the Holy Catholic Church

By THE REV. F. A. PEAKE L.Th., M.R.S.L.

II—HOW THE CHURCH CAME TO BRITAIN

S. PAUL AND THE GENTILES

We saw last month how the Early Church spread through the Roman Empire and among the Gentiles largely as the result of S. Paul's missionary journeys. Three of his journeys in Asia Minor we know from his own accounts supplemented by what S. Luke tells us in the *Acts of the Apostles*. In addition S. Paul mentions the hope that he might go into Spain, while S. Clement, a personal friend, says that the great apostle travelled to "the furthest limits of the west" and in the Roman literature of that day the phrase was understood to include Britain. Whether or not S. Paul went into Britain himself it is quite certain that the Catholic Church was firmly established there by the end of the first century.

S. JOSEPH OF ARIMATHAEA

There are several probable sources of the British Church. One of the most romantic and one which is by no means improbable is the story of S. Joseph of Arimathea which forms the basis of all the legends of King Arthur and his knights. It is believed that S. Joseph, who it will be remembered was "a disciple secretly for fear of the Jews", (S. Jn. 19:38) but who yet offered his tomb as a resting place for the body of our Blessed Lord, set out after Pentecost with eleven companions for Britain. They landed on the south-west coast and made their way to Avalon, now Glastonbury, bearing with them the Holy Grail, the Chalice which our Lord had used at the institution of the Eucharist. On their arrival they preached to the people and for a testimony pointed to S. Joseph's thorn staff which blossomed and became a tree near the place where they rested. As a result they were granted land where they built a Church and later established a monastery. No one believes the whole story but there are strong grounds for believing Glastonbury to have been the first Christian settlement.

EVANGELISM THROUGH THE ROMAN SOLDIERS

There was necessarily constant communication between the chief towns of

Britain and the great city of Rome. All the important events in one country would soon become known in the other, not the least of which would be the spread of the Christian Church. We know that many leaders of the infant Church were arrested; some were imprisoned and others killed. S. Paul himself was a prisoner in Rome, chained day and night to a soldier, at the very time when his gaoler's comrades were engaged in the long and difficult conquest of Britain. From time to time prisoners of war were brought to Rome, and notable among them was the British king Caradoc, known to the Romans as Caractacus. He was not a contemporary prisoner with S. Paul but was allowed to return to govern his tribe as a subject prince. Several of his family, however, retained as hostages for good behaviour, were state prisoners at Caesar's court

at a time when we know that S. Paul had access to it and had made many converts in the royal household (Phil. 4:22). It is therefore quite probable that the British captives met with S. Paul.

A BRITISH TRADITION

According to a British tradition these hostages were Bran, Llin, and Claudia, the father, son and daughter of Caractacus. It may well be that Claudia is the same British princess who was (according to a Roman historian) married to Pudens, the son of a Roman senator. In one of S. Paul's epistles (II Timothy 4:21) Claudia, Linus, and Pudens are all mentioned together. This Linus, the Latin equivalent for Llin, is identified with the first of the long line of Bishops of Rome. What then is more likely, if indeed S. Paul's friends were the relatives of Caractacus, than that they should take measures for the conversion of their native land. History does not enable us to say with any degree of certainty that S. Paul went to Britain, but we may reasonably conjecture that many of his ardent converts, who burned with missionary zeal, may have helped to bring the hearts of the Britons in subjection to the power of the Cross.

Primate's Visit Stimulates Diocesan Advance Appeal

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by the Primate, was opened with Matins, after which His Grace discussed, among other things, the methods of praying and meditation. During the morning he quoted the following verse, as illustrating the state of many Christians:

There are three tame ducks in our backyard,
Dabbling in mud and trying hard
To get their share and maybe more
Of the overflowing barnyard store;
Satisfied with the tasks they're at
Of eating and sleeping and getting fat.
But whenever the free wild ducks go by
In a long line streaming down the sky,
They cock a quizzical, puzzled eye
And flap their wings and try to fly.
I think my soul is a tame old duck,
Dabbling around in barnyard muck,
Fat and lazy with useless wings.
But sometimes when the north wind
sings

And the wild ones hurtle overhead,
It remembers something lost and dead

And cocks a wary, bewildered eye
And makes a feeble attempt to fly.

It's fairly content with the state it's in;
But it isn't the duck it might have been.

Conference

On Tuesday afternoon a synod conference was held in All Saints' Parish hall, under the chairmanship of Bishop Barfoot. The meeting was addressed by the Primate, the Bishop, Archdeacon Tackaberry, Mr. H. H. Milner, Mr. H. L. Weir and others.

Delegates and parish representatives voted unanimously to accept the parish thankoffering quotas fixed by the Executive committee and outlined by Mr. Milner, and to endeavor to oversubscribe them.

On Tuesday evening a general reception was held by His Grace in All Saints' parish hall.

Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock the Primate addressed members of the Women's Auxiliary in Christ Church parish hall.

He was entertained Wednesday night by the Masonic Lodges of the district, and left the city on Thursday for Calgary.

The Re-discovery of Christ

A Sermon by THE REV. L. M. WATTS St. John 1: 45—"We have found Him."

The Primate's visit and the Conference connected with it has given the clergy and laymen of the Diocese a good deal to say, and I write this in the spirit of the layman who said at the close of our Conference: "Our job now is to go back to our parishes and convey to our fellow Church members as best we can what has taken place at this conference." It was indeed a memorable occasion in the history of the Church in the Diocese of Edmonton.

One result of the Primate's visit is a new sense of unity. In my mind this new sense of unity is gathered round that rich phrase from the Prayer Book where the Bishop is referred to as our Father in God. As the Primate stood before us we felt with justifiable pride that he belongs to us; he is our Father in God. We felt proud to belong to the great historic Church that has weathered the storms of many centuries. Our membership in it was deepened and the bonds that bind us together were re-cemented.

AT THE EPIPHANY dinner the Primate spoke about Admiral Nelson's old flagship, the "Victory". I am sure that all the men who heard the address were unanimous in wishing that every member of the Church in the Diocese could have heard it. It was one of those addresses that grows in meaning the more you think about it. I have thought of the Church as a ship many times since that day. The Ship of the Church sailing down through the centuries, alternately tossed by troublesome waves and making headway in periods of calm. Yes, and making headway even in the storms. The Ship of the Church often under, often damaged by the enemy, and yet going on her way to the haven that God has prepared for her. And now significant that such an old ship should be called the "Victory." It paints a picture on the canvas of our lives that is painted in fast colours.

WHAT THE PRIMATE said about that old ship of Adventure, of Co-operation, of Sacrifice and of Destiny provides a rich field of inspiring thought. Arising out of the Conference connected with the Primate's visit is the thought of another historic ship. It has to do with the fascinating story of exploration and of the discovery of new lands. What a story it

is as we think of John and Sebastian Cabot, of Christopher Columbus, and scores of others. The ship of which I am thinking has to do with an Englishman, who having made a number of voyages in search of the Western passage to China, sailed across the Atlantic into what is now the harbour of New York, and explored what is today known after him as the Hudson River. And having satisfied himself that America was an impassable barrier to the western passage, he decided to discover whether the passage to China could not be found to the north of the American continent.

SO IN 1610 Henry Hudson set sail from London in a ship significantly named the Discovery. From the three survivors of that expedition of over twenty men we learn that Henry Hudson penetrated as far as James Bay, the southern tip of the great bay that bears his name. But like so many others who have been in the van of progress, it cost him his life. It is the sad story of mutiny and of Henry Hudson being put adrift in an open boat on the cold Arctic waters. He perished but the Hudson's Bay is a living factor in the commerce of the world. And the name of the ship on which he sailed, the "Discovery," has a place of honour on the roll of the great ships of history.

JUST AS THE WORD Victory was written in my life during the Primate's visit, so was the word Discovery. Against the background of a world that now has all the machinery of self-destruction, it was obvious at the Conference that the men of the Church had discovered in a new way that the Church holds the only hope of salvation. The seriousness of the world situation was emphasized by speakers at the recent meeting of the United Nations Organization. Just as General Eisenhower said during his recent visit to Toronto, "Mankind must come to a consciousness that war is the worst tragedy that can befall the human race," so the world leaders were saying in effect, "We must make a success of this world organization to preserve international peace, or perish." Such is the gravity of the world situation that it is an either—or situation

IT IS THIS discovery or re-discovery of Christ that I wish to share with you. And indeed our part in the Anglican

Advance Appeal depends upon our answer to the question Christ Himself put to the men of His day, "What think ye of Christ?" It is the question He has asked men and women all down through the years and that He is asking so insistently today, "What think ye of Christ?" Is He just another leader among all the world's leaders? Is He just another voice among all the voices of men who have aspired to lead mankind? Is He just a good man, a great Teacher? "What think ye of Christ?"

THE DECISIVE MOMENT in His training of the Twelve Disciples, as He prepared them to carry on the Church for which He gave His life, came at a place called Cæsarea Philippi. He asked them, "Whom do men say that I the Son of Man am?" And they said, "Some say that Thou art John the Baptist; some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the Prophets." He saith unto them, "But whom say ye that I am?" And Simon Peter answered and said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." And that was sufficient. From that time He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem to complete the work His Father had given Him to do. Now could He say, "On this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

OUR EFFECTIVE PART in the Advance Movement now launched will depend upon our being able to make that answer, that confession of faith. Not as a conventional Christian thing, but as a conviction that God has called us to share with Him in the world's salvation. This re-discovery of Christ, which was so obvious to me at the Conference, must characterize us all as we gird ourselves for our part in the Anglican Advance Appeal. That was the spirit that animated the first few of the disciples as each one in turn brought his brother to Christ. "We have found Him," they said, "he Messiah, the Christ, the Anointed One of God." May we go out on this Advance motivated by the joy and the importance of that discovery. We have found Him. We have found the secret that alone can solve the problem of the world. We have found Him.

Gossip

A disciple came running to Mohammed with the tale that his six brothers were asleep and that he alone remained awake to worship Allah. The prophet replied: "And you, too, had better been asleep if your worship of Allah consists of accusations against your brethren." — PAUL NAFE, Louisville "Courier-Journal."

Towards the Conversion of England

By THE REV. CANON H. G. G. HERKLOTS

It is doubtful whether any report issued by the Church of England in recent times has caused as much public interest as that of the recent Commission on Evangelism. The Commission was a heterogeneous collection of about fifty—bishops, clergy and laymen and women—with more younger members than is usual in such a body—appointed by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York at the end of 1943 as the result of a resolution of the Church Assembly. Since then, one of the two who chose the members has died, and the Report appears under the title of: *Towards the Conversion of England—a plan dedicated to the memory of Archbishop William Temple*. Perhaps the boldness of the title accounts for the public interest. The Report is being constantly reprinted, and as quickly disappears from the shops. When I was last in London, in a well known Church bookshop, I noticed that copies were being sold “under the counter,” like unrationed food-stuffs reserved for favoured customers. The whole report makes a book of 172 pages; it has been attractively produced, and is being sold at the moderate price of a shilling.

Certainly the difficulties, as well as the opportunities, of the present situation are realistically set forth. “We cannot get far with evangelism,” we read, “until three facts are faced: First, the vast majority of English people need to be converted to Christianity; Secondly, a large number of Church people also require to be converted, in the sense of their possessing that personal knowledge of Christ which can be ours only by the dedication of the whole self, whatever the cost; Thirdly, such personal knowledge of Christ is the only satisfactory basis for testimony to others.”

But it is made clear that the task is no mere clerical one. At the head of a chapter on *The Apostolate of the Whole Church* are quoted some pertinent words from Archbishop Temple: “The evangelization of England . . . is a work that cannot be done by the clergy alone; it can only be done to a very small extent by the clergy at all. There can be no widespread evangelization of England unless the work is undertaken by the lay people of the Church. . . The main duty of the clergy must be to train the lay members of the congregation in their work of witness.”

An earlier chapter has considered the historical background of the present situation, and another has set out—very clearly and ably, in my opinion—the nature of the Gospel which we must preach. But this Gospel has to be translated into the language and thought forms of the people of today, members of a scientifically-minded, but not historically-minded, generation. Some tentative attempts are made at this task; it is one to which the Church must pay great attention.

MUCH OF THE BOOK is taken up with a consideration of the techniques, old and new, which have been found effective in the presentation of the Gospel. There is new experience from those who have worked with the Forces to bear in mind; and many feel that the “Padre’s Hour” meets a need in civilian life as well as in the Army. Later on considerable attention is paid to the use of the radio, the cinema, and advertising. Through the B.B.C. there exists today a considerable listening public which listens to the many religious discussions, talks, and services which the Corporation transmits. (It is a national achievement of some importance that the amount of these increased in war time.) But these people have only a very slight interest in the Church. How can they be linked up with the worshipping community?

The terms of reference of the Commission called it to survey “the prevailing intellectual outlook of the non-worshipping members of the community.” But great numbers of our modern mass society can hardly be said to have an intellectual outlook at all. They accept the values and attitudes portrayed and encouraged on the cinema and by advertising. Should the Church enter the field of advertising? The answer of the Commission—very carefully considered—is Yes. But it is not to be imagined that such a method can do the work of evangelism. It might however unstop the ears of many, so that they were able to hear the word of the Gospel when it was proclaimed. We, in England, are very conscious of the way in which, during war time, the Government has been able to make use of advertising to change the way of life of the people. Should the Church do the same? Here is a controversial recommendation, which is being much discussed.

NOR HAS THE REPORT been received without criticism. The most acute was in the *THE CHRISTIAN NEWS-LETTER*, where it was held that “Evangelism is the expression of a healthy Church abounding in vitality;” and because it was obvious that the Church of England did not yet abound in vitality, any great campaigns should be delayed. Meanwhile the Report has been received by the Church Assembly, and commended to the Parochial Church Councils for study. The Report suggests that these Councils, which were brought into existence after the 1914-18 war “to co-operate with the incumbent in the initiation, conduct and development of Church work both within the parish and without” might well give these terms of reference a wider interpretation than has been usual, and play a real part in the work of evangelism, which is the task of the whole Church.

I hope that this Report will get out to Canada, and that it will be read and studied by your clergy and laymen.

Qu’Appelle’s Suggestions

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strong emphasis on the teaching of the Church as a way of life. The following points should be considered:

1. Select hymns with great care and be sure that they are familiar and that the best tunes are used. Best that is from the standpoint of congregational singing. If they are long, eliminate some verses.
2. Strengthen the choir. Even if you cannot get highly qualified vocalists, get numbers, volume and sincerity.
3. Have the musical part of the service proceed at a rapid pace, consistent with dignity. It is not suggested that it be “jazzed.” All that is necessary is that it should not drag.
4. Give very careful attention to settings. Choirs are prone to prefer those settings which have the greatest appeal to their musical tastes, but which are often unsuitable to congregational participation. To have a bright, happy service all the people must sing. Make it possible for them to do so.
5. Avoid long Psalms and Scripture lessons, especially when they are uninteresting.
6. Arrange short sermons, not more than 15 minutes. One point can be fully developed in this time. It is better to have one point fully developed than many only half understood or neglected.
7. Let it be clearly understood that the service will not be longer than one hour and 15 minutes and plan accordingly.

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ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL

THE VERY REV. A. M. TRENDELL
THE REV. H. G. BRANT

This is the month of annual meetings and already several of them have been held. It is a month for saying 'Thank You,' with regret for faithful servants who have retired from office, as well as a time for wishing God speed to those who have taken over. We would like to express our sincere thanks to those who have held office in the past and particularly to Mrs. George Mowat, the past president of the W.A.; and to Mrs. Tainton, the retiring treasurer, who has given splendid service in this capacity for the past eight years. In the A.Y.P.A. we are grateful to Miss Helen Lamb and the other retiring officers for their faithful work during the past year. However, we are glad to welcome Mrs. Bert Ross, the new president of the W.A., and her slate of officers, as well as Mr. Frank Mathew, the new president of the A.Y.P.A. and his officers, and we wish them all the blessing of God in their work due in the very important year which is ahead.

Our sincere gratitude goes to the Rev. Canon Crane-Williams for his generous assistance on the Sunday before Christmas and on Christmas Day, during the time of the Rector's sickness. His pleasing manner and his stirring messages proved a source of inspiration to all who were present.

The highlight of the month has been the visit of our Primate who was with us for four days, beginning January 6th. His fine spiritual personality as well as the power of his messages will long be remembered, and everything in connection with his visit proved a real source of joy and uplift to the thousands who came in contact with him. We were privileged indeed to have him amongst us at the opening of the Anglican Advance Appeal.

As we look forward to 1946, we are preparing ourselves for a deepening of our spiritual life as well as for a lot of hard work. We shall need the full co-operation of all our members, and personal service from a large number of old and young alike. Many will be called upon to render this service and I am sure that they will give it with a sense of dedication to the high cause for which they are asked to work. We have a great challenge before us: the measure of our worth will be tested in the proportion that we give ourselves to the service of Jesus Christ and by the faith and confidence which we possess towards our ultimate success.

All Saints' W.A. are planning to hold a Valentine Tea in the hall, on Thursday, February 14th.

CHRIST CHURCH

THE REV. E. S. OTTLEY

We are sorry that our parish notes for December were sent in too late to be printed in last month's magazine, so that in this report we shall try to cover briefly our activities since December 1st.

W.A.: The annual Bazaar of the Woman's W.A. on December 7th was a great success both in attendance and its financial results. The handwork of the W.A. and the girls and the Juniors, who joined with them, showed a great deal of hard and excellent work, and made the Bazaar a most attractive display. The thanks of the W.A. go to the congregation for their generous support. On January 8th the annual meeting of the W.A. was held, the reports given showing a wide range of activity during the year, and a most gratifying result. There is not space to list the names of all those elected to office, but we must mention the presentation made to the retiring president, Mrs. H. Gutteridge, in recognition specifically of her work as president in recent years, and in general of her untiring efforts which have done so much for the W.A.

Sunday School: The various departments of our Sunday School have had their Christmas parties. The Bible Class had a most enjoyable sleigh ride on the 12th December. The Junior Sunday School and Beginners' parties were held on the 21st and 28th, and the Junior Church sleigh ride on December 11th.

Choir: Our Choir, under the leadership of Mr. H. G. Turner, took part in the Rotary Club Festival on December 10th, and on the 13th they visited the Mewburn Pavilion and presented a varied program of Christmas music. The annual meeting of the choir was held on the 17th January, when officers were elected for the coming year. The financial report of the Choir showed, in particular, a donation of \$60.00 towards Broadcasting, an obligation which they have voluntarily assumed for a number of years, and for their help in this regard, we are extremely grateful.

Scouts: On December 18th a special session of our Troop was held, and a varied program was presented by the boys. The highlight of the evening came when eight of our boys were made King's Scouts, the highest rank which Scouts can achieve. This is a milestone in the history of our Troop, and perhaps in the history of Scouting in Western Canada. Our congratulations go to the boys, and also to Mr. T. W. Foster, Scoutmaster, and his assistant.

Primate Dinner: It was most encouraging to see some fifty of our men at the dinner for the Primate on January 7th. The inspiration of his visit will long be remembered. It was our privilege, also, to have the Primate address the members of the Diocesan W.A. on January 9th, in our parish hall. There was left with all of us an awareness of the need of the Church to move forward, and seize the opportunity presented to us by the times.

A.Y.P.A.: Members assembled in the parish hall for a fireside held on December 23rd. There was quite a large turnout, the Christmas spirit prevailed, and a good time was had by all.

There was no meeting held during the holiday season, so we were especially glad

to meet again on January 3rd, when Mr. Laight, recently of the Department of Indian Affairs, spoke to us. His topic was, of course, "Indians," and it was both interesting and edifying.

Our work night saw us painting. It took us two evenings to finish the job, but the result was well worth our efforts.

A tobogganning party is to be held on the 17th, with refreshments served afterward in the parish hall.

An A.Y.P.A. corporate communion and breakfast was held on the 13th, which was attended by about 20 members.

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CANON W. M. NAINBY

Our Christmas services were a great joy to us, and there were large congregations, especially for the Carol Service and on the Christmas Eve, when the Bishop celebrated Holy Communion. The church had been beautifully decorated by the Sanctuary Guild, and we are deeply grateful for all their work. Christmas hymns and carols were played on the chimes every night during the week preceding Christmas.

The Rector would like to thank the congregation for the most generous Christmas offering.

The highlight of the New Year has been the visit of the Primate to our church on Epiphany Sunday evening. The church was filled, and so many have spoken of the inspiration of His Grace's visit.

Sunday Schools: Christmas parties were held for all Schools and Bible Classes, and our thanks go to the Superintendent and teachers for all their work. We shall miss Miss Bethel from our staff, but we wish her every blessing on the occasion of her marriage.

Men's Club: The Club got off to a fine start at the January meeting when Canon Crane-Williams was the guest speaker. Mr. A. Nixon was elected president, and we are looking forward to the Men's Club filling a real need within the parish.

A.Y.P.A.: The Senior A.Y. have a busy programme planned, and hope to entertain all the City A.Y.'s on February 13th. A dance has been arranged for Friday, March 1st, at Acacia Hall.

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The Junior A.Y. held a Christmas party at Scona Community Hall, and have since visited McGavin's Bakery for "edification!"

W.A.: At the annual meeting the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. W. Hammett; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. R. Molloy; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. E. J. Flavin; Rec. Sec., Mrs. J. W. Mills; Corr. Sec., Mrs. M. F. H. Browse; Treasurer, Mrs. C. Manahan.

The Educational Secretary, Mrs. E. W. de Laroque, reminded members that slides will be shown at the Missionary meeting on January 22nd.

Members are also asked to remember the Hospital Shower for Hay River School. Mrs. May promised to look after all articles donated.

Mothers' Union: The following officers were elected at the annual meeting held on January 10th, at the home of Mrs. H. Cable: President, Mrs. Monty Young; Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. Goodwin; Sec., Mrs. D. Kavanagh; Treas., Mrs. R. Wood.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. Polley on February 7th.

Choir: Following practice on January 3rd, the annual meeting was held and the following members were elected to office:

President, Mr. K. Mansfield; Vice-Pres., Mrs. C. Manahan; Sec., Miss M. Smalian; Treasurer, Mr. T. Walton.

Young Women's Fellowship: The annual meeting was held in the vestry on January 9th, with the following members being elected:

President, Mrs. J. Sterling Gilbert; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Bruce Taylor; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. D. L. Fowler; Sec., Mrs. G. H. Humphries; Corr. Sec., Mrs. R. W. Derraugh; Treas., Mrs. W. J. Ebdon.

Sanctuary Guild: The annual meeting was held in the vestry on January 15th. The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. R. Casper; Vice-Pres., Mrs. M. F. H. Browse; Sec.-Treasurer, Mrs. R. S. Evans.

Parish Guild: A well attended meeting of the Parish Guild was held in the rectory on Monday, January 14th, and the following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. A. H. Lord; Vice-Pres., Mrs. P. S. Warren; Sec., Mrs. Harold Hawe; Treas., Mrs. Gordon Proctor.

Plans were made for a bridge and sale of home cooking to be held at the Hudson's Bay Company on January 31st.

Our group is serving dinner to the delegates of the W.A. Annual after the Communion Service at Holy Trinity.

The knitting group reported a large number of articles had been made and sent overseas.

ST. LUKE'S CANON W. H. HATFIELD

Christmas has long since passed but the happy memories of that joyous time linger on. The carol service on December 23rd brought together a large congregation who joined heartily in the old familiar hymns and carols. The midnight choral Eucharist on Christmas Eve was an inspiration to

everyone. More communicants than ever before came to worship at the throne of grace and partake the spiritual food the Christ Child gives. It was indeed heart-warming to see so many of the "old boys and girls" present—home again after years of war service. The Church was beautifully decorated with holly supplied by friends now residing in warmer climes; for the Shearings, Samsons, Wills and other families never forget their old church home, and no doubt their prayers, offered many miles away, blended with ours and reached the Father Whose love binds all together.

The annual parochial meeting was held on Monday, January 14th, and although the attendance left much to be desired, a fine spirit was evident. After the usual reports, which all told of progress, the elections were held. Mr. F. Clark was re-elected People's Warden; Canon Hatfield re-appointed Mr. A. C. Taylor Vicar's Warden. Mr. G. Whittingback, Mr. R. W. Ritchie, Mr. H. H. Dicconson, Mr. Meakin, Mrs. W. H. Barker, Mrs. W. Povey and Miss F. S. Beeby will serve on the Vestry.

The Anglican Advance Movement lays an obligation of over \$1,700 on the parish, to be raised within three years. Ways and means of providing this sum were discussed, and although it was realized that a great task lies ahead, it was felt that it could be accomplished if everyone did their share. Stress will be laid on the first objective which is thanksgiving, and with this thought uppermost the task will be lightened, for we have received many blessings in Canada, for which we should be truly thankful, and in this movement an opportunity is given to show forth our thankfulness."

Baptisms: William Campbell, Ronald George, Roy Clive Alan—children of George and Dorothy Fearn.

ST. FAITH'S THE REV. L. M. WATTS

January has been a time of organization mostly and news will no doubt be more plentiful when the year's activities get under way.

At the evening service on Dec. 16th we had Archdeacon Tackaberry as preacher.

On Dec. 17th a White Gift Service was held in the church. Several of the Youth organizations participated and this service was well attended. A large number of gifts were given for Diocesan social services.

Our Sunday School Christmas party was held on Dec. 21st, and in spite of the thirty below zero weather that prevailed there was a very good turnout. It was especially gratifying to see so many of the parents present.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES: The Carol Services held on Dec. 23rd were exceptionally good, and a large congregation was present for both morning and evening service.

The children's Christmas service was held in the early afternoon of Dec. 23rd.

At the impressive Christmas Eve service Canon Clough kindly assisted the Rector.

A Watch-Night Service was held in the church on New Year's Eve at 11.30 p.m.

We would like to say a special word of thanks to all who helped to decorate the church for the Festive Season.

Through the kind efforts of Ted Cole we were able to "listen-in" on the broadcast from All Saints' of the Primate's sermon on January 6th. Reception was excellent and we were thankful of the opportunity to hear the Primate's message.

Week of Prayer Services: Services were held each evening, Monday through Friday, at the different churches in the district. The Rector gave the address at the Salvation Army hall on Thursday, and the Rev. H. Flanagan gave the address at St. Faith's on Friday.

W.A. (Afternoon Group): Reports of the past year's activities were given at the annual meeting of the Afternoon Group held on Wednesday, January 16th. The reports revealed a very successful year in all departments. The Rector expressed appreciation to all who had worked to make the reports so satisfactory. The election of officers resulted as follows: Mrs. H. Davis, Pres.; Mrs. M. O. Mutter, 1st vice-pres.; Mrs. J. W. Brown, 2nd vice-pres.; Mrs. W. W. Pattison, Sec.; Mrs. G. J. Jackson, Treas.; Mrs. W. G. White, E.C.D.; Mrs. J. R. W. Teasdale, U.T.O.; Mrs. E. Curry, Educational Sec.; Mrs. R.

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ST. STEPHEN'S

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CANON J. C. MATTHEWS

Sunday Services at 8 a.m., 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Sunday School, 12.15 p.m.

The Carol Service on the Sunday evening after Christmas was much appreciated, more especially as His Lordship the Bishop was with us.

In the morning the Rev. John Godkin took the service, for which kindness many thanks are due.

Nine men from the parish attended the dinner in honour of His Grace the Archbishop. Mr. J. A. Cooper, our oldest member, was so stirred up by the Primate's address that on returning home he broke forth into song, and here it is:

A Anglicans, advance! Obey the clarion call.
D Duty demands that we should one and all
V Valiant, determined, take our rightful place
A And so prove worthy of a worthy race;
N Nor cease our effort till the goal is won.
C Continue then, our leaders urge us on.
E Encourage and support them till the work is done.

At the monthly Vestry meeting a resolution was passed that letters of thanks should be sent to Mrs. Swaffield and Sister Amelie for their kindness in taking the organ during the absence through sickness of Miss Adams.

The annual meeting of the Willing Workers was held on Thursday, January 10th. Officers for this year were elected as follows:

Pres., Mrs. T. J. Jones; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Petherbridge; Hon. Pres., Mrs. Jackson; Sec., Mrs. Coleshill; Treas., Mrs. H. Gregory; Dorcas, Mrs. Walsh and Mrs. Miller; Sick Visitor, Mrs. T. J. Jones.

Many St. Stephen's people sent tokens of sympathy to Mrs. Shropshire. Noel Powis Shropshire passed away on January 5th, following an acute attack of pneumonia.

Wayne William Humphreys was baptized on January 13th.

ST. MATTHEW'S MISSION

We are now able to have a service each Sunday, on the first and third Sundays at 11 a.m., and on the second and fourth Sundays at 9.15 a.m.

Mrs. William Allen and Mr. Dykes are both in hospital. The call for blood donors for Mrs. Allen was answered by a number of men which showed, I thought, a very fine spirit.

ST. MICHAEL'S

Mr. John Gaunt is taking an evening service on the second and fourth Sundays at 7.30 p.m.

ST. PAUL'S, JASPER PLACE

THE REV. N. J. GODKIN

The past few months were busy ones for St. Paul's. The church was moved to a new location on the corner of 145th Street and Stony Plain Rd. The interior was completely renovated, and the new gas heating plant ensures adequate warmth in the coldest weather. The building is now being used as a parish hall, in which the church furniture is set up for services. Further alterations and additions are planned in the spring.

Many thanks are due to the men and women who helped to clean and decorate the hall for our first services on Dec. 23rd. These services, in spite of cold and "Flu," were well attended, as were also those at Christmas. It is encouraging to note that the attendance has been on the increase ever since, and that many new families have appeared. It must not be forgotten that the primary purpose of all our work in the parish is to promote the worship of God, and all our other activities hinge upon that.

In recent weeks our Sunday School reopened, and has a registration of over forty pupils. The Cubs, Scouts and Guides have started off well, and we congratulate Jim Dinwoodie and Eva New upon their success, and wish them good luck in their work with the boys and girls. The W.A. trebled their membership at their first meeting of the New Year, and have begun to plan their activities for 1946. Our sympathy is extended to the family of a member who died on January 15th, Mrs. W. Gardiner, formerly of Waskatenau.

St. Paul's has started the New Year well. Let none grow weary in well doing.

ST. PETER'S

THE REV. R. S. FAULKS

The annual meeting of the parish was held on Wednesday, January 16th, with a representative group present. The financial condition of the parish was quite encouraging. The building fund, begun some eighteen months ago with an objective of \$2,500.00, has reached two-fifths of the amount set, but with passage of time requirements increase. The organ fund, as a memorial, is growing slowly toward the one hundred dollar mark. Those present were pleased to note that some improvements to the buildings had been made in the matter of foundation maintenance. It is hoped that the property will be painted this spring. All parish organizations gave heartening reports of good work done, and indicated a healthy condition of funds. All groups are in need of more hands, which is an indication of the line of action for present members this year. The Sunday School, under the capable direction of Mrs. C. H. Harris, is flourishing, with an increase in the number of scholars and teaching staff. Our appreciation for all their efforts on behalf of the children of the parish!

A motion passed by a meeting of parishioners last September to the effect that in addition to the original proposals of improvements to the plant, that the hall be moved to the rear of the lot, came in for much discussion. Being a contentious matter and funds are not in hand to do the work, the motion was laid over for a further meeting of the people.

The Rector presented the matter of the Anglican Advance Appeal in its threefold call to the people of the Church. Much good discussion followed, and it was felt that with literature and further information and organization the parish should be able to get somewhere in the matter. Appreciation was voiced by the Rector and the meeting to all who had helped forward the life of the Church in this area during the past year.

In the election of officers, L. A. Exham accepted the post of Rector's Warden, and R. A. McMullen the post of People's Warden.

Two young men of the A.Y. were asked to serve on the Vestry, in addition to the slate of stalwart workers. The A.Y. members are Norman Corness and John Williams.

The members of the Ladies' Guild had a busy conclusion to the year past, what with a splendidly successful bazaar, and earlier a Harvest Supper that was very much enjoyed by those attending, as well as a great benefit to the funds of the parish. To all who helped make these affairs the excellent events they were, our grateful thanks.

Mrs. Hodgson has been unanimously elected president of the Guild, and Mrs. Steare as treasurer.

It was a great joy this Christmas to come to this wonderful Festival in a time of peace, to welcome the Prince of Peace. It was unfortunate that many folk were laid up with the "Flu," but the spirit of gratitude has been evident everywhere, and all have shared in it at this time. The Sunday School parties were much enjoyed by both the Juniors at their afternoon in the hall, and by the Seniors at their sleigh ride and "feed."

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Our A.Y. members decorated the church and hall for Christmas, and did it very nicely, too. The A.Y. are a busy lot, and are doing their best to help their own member, the Diocesan President, Grace Wilson, do a good job with her responsibilities in that office. They arranged a party for returned service personnel, which was enjoyed by all those present.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The annual meeting was held on the 14th of January. Good reports were received from all departments and parish activities. And one thing that usually comes up at such a meeting: is the matter of news in our Diocesan publication. So this is practically to be a quarterly report of our activities. In the late fall the ladies of the W.A. and Altar Guild put on the Harvest Supper, which was an outstanding success in every respect. It looks as though we shall have to enlarge our parish hall that there may be better accommodation for this and other affairs. Later on the W.A. held one of the best bazaars in the history of the parish. At the annual meeting of the W.A. a presentation was made to the President for 1945, Mrs. McMillan, as a token of appreciation of her leadership during the year.

Mr. W. E. Briggs reported several improvements to parish property during the year. Among them we note further painting of the buildings, replacement of the stand-pipe and erection of a small store house over it; the development in making a proper basement under the church, and the excellent maintenance of the grounds by the Worralls. Mr. Briggs accepted the office of Rector's Warden for the ensuing year. Mr. E. S. Cooper reported on the progress of the Sea Scout Troop under his direction; and everyone present felt that that boys are getting along very well. Mr. Cooper was unanimously elected as People's Warden. Good words were spoken of the accomplishments of the Sunday School and the staff of teachers, and it was with much regret that the resignation of the superintendent, Mrs. Cameron, and of the secretary, Miss Goguilot, were accepted. The meeting of the parishioners expressed to all officials and to all fellow workers, sincere appreciation of the work done in the past year, and expressed the hope that like good success would attend the life and work of the parish in this New Year of 1946. With considerable satisfaction it was resolved: that there was one-half of the indebtedness available for repayment; that each person who had loaned funds to the parish should be paid half of the sum loaned. With gifts, and amounts to come in, the balance will not be very great.

The Advance Move of the Canadian Church was received with interest, the more so as the recent visit of the Primate had made an excellent impression, which will be of real force in helping this parish to go after its objective.

This news item from Calder would be incomplete without a word of the Sunday School party, which was a very happy event. There were songs and movies, followed by a visit from a very jolly and

friendly Santa who gave all the youngsters and teachers presents from the tree, and went off to the North to the singing of "Jingle Bells." Refreshments followed and a replete and tired lot of kiddies set out for home and dreams of Santa.

ST. MARK'S

THE REV. A. ELLIOTT

When the financial statement terminating the recent year's expenditure was read the Vestry were gratified to learn that the deficit was small compared to other years. They were very grateful to the W.A. for their generous assistance, which enabled a number of outstanding debts to be paid.

With the annual congregational meeting imminent, the Vestry hope that there will be a good attendance, with many volunteers ready to assist in the Church's work.

The W.A. held the annual election of officers on Thursday, Jan. 10th. The following were elected: Hon. Pres. Mrs. L. Corlett; Pres., Mrs. H. Bromley; Hon. Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. Whitcherley; Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. Hays; Treas. and U.T.O., Mrs. T. John; Sec., Mrs. W. Fleming; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. T. N. Hughes; Junior W.A., Miss F. Hawkins; Girls' W.A., Mrs. A. Elliott; Little Helpers, Mrs. A. B. Johns.

The Sunday School is still increasing in numbers and two more teachers are urgently needed to assist in this vital work. On January 19th a second whist drive was held.

Mr. A. Foley is now assisting Mr. Gardner with the Cubs. It is also gratifying to learn that this enrolment is increasing.

A hundred-dollar donation has been received toward an organ fund.

ST. MARY'S

THE REV. A. ELLIOTT

The various branches of St. Mary's have, this past month, been busy with the annual meetings, together with their election of officers.

The afternoon branch of the W.A. held its annual meeting January 7th, when reports were presented by the executive, all of which proved to be satisfactory. Elections of officers for the coming year were held: Pres., Mrs. W. Croft; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. C. Jackson; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. M. Anderson; Sec., Mrs. R. Collier; Treas., Mrs. T. C. Gittins; Junior Supt., Mrs. C. Robinson; Little Helpers' Sec., in abeyance; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. R. Evans; Needlework, Mrs. H. W. Nichols; Prayer Partner, Mrs. R. Collier; Social Service and Visiting, Mrs. E. H. Pallister; U.T.O. and E.C.D., Mrs. E. Bradshaw; Living Message, Mrs. M. Anderson; Flower Fund Sec., Mrs. E. World; Educational Sec., Mrs. C. Baines; Hospital Visiting, Mrs. W. Kent.

The Evening Branch of the W.A. will hold their annual meeting and election of officers at the home of Mrs. Hiron, on January 23rd.

January 14th saw the election of officers likewise for the Young Men's Club. Officers elected for 1946 were: Pres., Mr. T. M. White; Vice-Pres., Mr. K. King; Sec.-Treas., Mr. J. Barford; Grounds Chairman, Mr. Radke; Lunch Chairman (3 months), Mr. G. Alexander.

The Junior W.A. held their annual meeting Monday, January 14th, with 25 members present. Mr. Elliott opened the meeting with a very inspiring service for the girls in the church. His topic was: "Think of the Other Chap." Officers elected for 1946 were: Pres., Patricia McDowell; Vice-Pres., Marion Broen; Sec., Sheila Kane; Treas., Harriet Stutchbury; Literature Sec., Louise Scott; Visiting Convener, Esther Misner; Pages for January, Judy Burns, Marjorie Creighton, Barbara Chucos, Esther Misener.

St. Mary's Church and W.A. have recently lost through death two of their members. Mrs. Edith Orriss died on 14th of December, after a long period of ill health. She was always ready to help in any way her health permitted, and the Church and W.A. will long remember her. Mrs. Orriss was made a Life Member of St. Mary's W.A. in 1938.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gee, another beloved member of St. Mary's, passed away on 22nd December, after a short illness. Mrs. Gee, whose 82nd birthday was just four days before her death, was a Life Member of the Edmonton Diocesan W.A., having received this as a gift from the St. Paul's Church, Edmonton (now St. Stephen's), in October, 1917. Many will remember her as Diocesan Prayer Partner and a member of St. Catherine's Board. Mr. and Mrs. Gee came to Western Canada in 1903 from England, having joined the Barr Colony in Lloydminster where they stayed for nine years.

The burial service was taken from St. Mary's on Christmas Eve, and though at that time only a small number of her friends knew of her passing the church was filled with those who had learned to love her so well.

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, RIFE

Despite 40-below weather a congregation (16) gathered in St. John the Baptist Church for Christmas service December 16th. The church was prettily decorated with holly and evergreen in keeping with the season.

We were honored to have our Bishop hold service and celebrate Holy Communion. There were nine communicants.

We miss from our midst the Hill family who left in November for B.C., where they intend to make their future home.

We are looking forward to welcoming back in the spring Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ross and son Bobby, who are spending the winter on Vancouver Island.

GRANDE CENTRE

We welcomed our Bishop on Wednesday, December 19th, for the Christmas

Rural Deanery of Pembina**ST. CATHERINE'S, EDSON**

CANON W. DE V. A. HUNT

On December 12th the members of the W.A. gave a shower for Frances Buck, at the home of Mrs. Dobson. Daughters of W.A. members and other parishioners interested were also welcomed and a very enjoyable evening was spent, as well as bringing Frances some lovely and useful gifts for her future home.

On the evening of the 23rd, instead of the usual service, Nativity tableaux were shown in the parish hall. These were portrayed with great care and feeling by members of the Sunday School, the Choir assisting with singing of appropriate hymns. There was a good attendance, and the effort must have served to bring home the true significance of the Christmas Festival, now so often seriously obscured by commercial exploitation and worldly manner of celebration.

The church was filled for the Christmas Eve Service. The presence at this celebration of returning sons and daughters always contributes richly to the joy of contemplating this aspect of the Holy Family; for small country places noticeably lose the greater number of their young to the outer world. In this instance it is nice to note that Joan Tucker bought our Christmas flowers.

On the 29th of December, Miss Frances Buck, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Buck, and Royden Mahon, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Mahon, both of Edson, were married by the Rector. Alan Boomer played the wedding music and Mrs. Elliott sang, "O Perfect Love." Misses Jean Gourley and Mary Letwenuk acted as bridesmaids, Mr. G. Mahon was best man. Messrs. L. and E. Mahon acted as ushers. Immediately after the ceremony a wedding breakfast for 30 people was held at the home of the bride's parents. The young people are making their home in Fort William, Ontario. As a parish, in which Frances attended Sunday School,

Services of Holy Communion and Evensong, followed by Confirmation.

We are grateful to Mrs. W. L. Holbrow and family of Winnipeg for the gift of a Processional Cross, in memory of the late W. L. Holbrow, father of Mrs. Wotherspoon.

Evensong was sung at the home of Mr. H. J. Ayres on December 31st, after which the annual meetings of the church committee and Ladies' Guild were held. Mr. George Garden is chairman of the Committee, with Mrs. Wotherspoon as Secretary. Mrs. A. Lucas was re-elected President of the Guild, with Mrs. N. O. Wotherspoon as Secretary.

A Sunday School was commenced on Epiphany Sunday to be held each Sunday at 2 p.m. Mrs. Wotherspoon and Mrs. Eileen Cameron are the teachers.

was confirmed and became a regular communicant, we wish them every happiness in their new life.

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held on January 3rd, and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Boomer; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Lamotte; Sec., Mrs. Armour; Treas., Mrs. Tucker; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. Dobson; Little Helpers' Sec., Mrs. White; Prayer Partner, Mrs. Marshall; Living Message, Mrs. Gregg; Juniors' and Girls', Mrs. Hunt, assisted by Mrs. Elliott; U.T.O. Sec., Mrs. Blue; Social Service, Mrs. Tucker; Educational Sec., Mrs. Laurence; Young Wives' Fellowship, Mrs. White.

Mrs. White gave a report on the progress of the Young Wives' Fellowship. Canon Hunt gave a talk on the Anglican Advance Movement, and stressed the special need for spiritual progress. It was suggested we have a second W.A. meeting every month for missionary and devotional purposes. Arrangements were made for a telephone bridge during the last week in January.

The Sunday School Christmas party was held on the 4th of January, when we entertained thirteen visitors from Wolf Creek. The W.A. donated some of the animals left from their sale as gifts for the very small children.

The annual congregational meeting was held in the parish hall on the 15th. As usual, one could wish for a larger congregation. Canon Hunt spoke again on the Anglican Advance Appeal. Bill Dobing was appointed as Vicar's Warden; Mr. E. H. Tucker re-elected as People's Warden, and Mr. Gregg re-elected as Secretary.

Mr. Gregg and Mr. Geo. Harrison were nominated as Lay Delegates for Synod.

Holy Baptism: Sunday, Dec. 30th, Donna Alice Lindgrin, Alice Barbara Blue.

Holy Matrimony: Dec. 29th, Roydon Kenzie Mahon and Frances Louise Buck.

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ST. MARY'S AND ST. GEORGE'S, JASPER

THE REV. T. C. B. BOON

Our Christmas season began on Sunday evening, December 23rd, with a splendid Carol Service. The large congregation (98) joined heartily in the carols and we could not help wondering why we did not have more services equally well-attended and filled with the same spirit of rejoicing. The chief solos were taken by Mrs. J. Brodie, Sr., and Miss Betty Cleveland. The Choral Celebration on Christmas Eve, in spite of perfect weather, was in contrast rather disappointing. However on Christmas Day there were more communicants than usual at the early service, and there was an encouraging attendance of "families" at eleven o'clock. Thirteen people gathered in the church on New Year's Eve for the Watch-Night Service, but, as always, it was one of the most moving and beautiful moments of the year. We should like to thank Mr. Coupland for taking the evening service on 6th January, and Mrs. Heckley for playing the organ for us at a number of extra services in December.

Cold weather and some sickness during the past few weeks have caused Sunday School attendance to show irregularity, but there has been some improvement since both sections have been temporarily compressed into the larger and warmer hall, though the arrangement is attended by so many difficulties that we shall be glad when we are able to return to the "as you were" situation. The White Gift Service on December 16th was well attended and resulted in 40 gifts being sent to the W.A. Social Service Department. On the Sunday before Christmas the scholars again met in the church, this time to sing carols and hear the story of Dickens' Christmas Carol told by the Vicar.

The Vestry met on 15th January and having received an extensive report on the fabric of the Church and the Parish Hall, authorized the re-decoration of the interior of the church to be proceeded with immediately, while the exterior is to be done as soon as weather permits, probably at the end of April or early in May. Plans are also materializing which will give us a much better parish hall before next winter. The carrying out of this work has been made possible by the generosity of two friends who wish to remain anonymous.

Friday, December 28th, was a pleasant occasion for most of us. The Sunday School had its Christmas party in the afternoon and there was an excellent parish social in the evening at which the programme arranged by Mr. Snape and Mr. Heckley reached a new "high."

Most of the parish organizations have been in a state of suspended animation over the Christmas season, and have not quite got going again at the time we write these notes. The J.B.W.A. has held its annual meeting and has elected Sheila White as its president; the members have done an excellent year's work and we have no doubt that under their present leadership the keen spirit will be maintained. The E.B.W.A. held its annual meeting on January 14th. Mrs. G. E. Prowse was

again elected president, and the branch has already started on its Dorcas work. It is a curious and encouraging circumstance that so far at each of its meetings the E.B.W.A. has acquired a new member.

Under the leadership of Allen Pugh (who has been elected president) and some of its pre-war members the A.Y.P.A. has been re-established in the parish, and we hope to have more to say about it later.

We were all glad to welcome Mrs. Wachter home again, and to see her looking so well. Mrs. Edenborough had to spend three weeks in the hospital in January, and we missed our faithful Altar Guild and Choir Librarian.

Mr. J. B. Snape represented the congregation at the Anglican Advance Appeal Conference in Edmonton on January 8th, and we have no doubt that under his inspiration and guidance the Jasper congregation will do its share in the work.

Baptism: On December 30th, Alexander Roy Fisher.

THE WABAMUN MISSION

THE REV. F. A. PEAKE

During the Christmas season we were able to have services in most of the centres served by the Mission—a matter which was greatly assisted by the unusually mild weather.

On the Saturday before Christmas the parish priest journeyed to Seba (visiting several church families en route) for the Christmas party of the newly formed branch of the J.W.A. The girls seem very enthusiastic and great credit is due to Mrs. Peterson and Miss Camp for the organization and programme. Seba is doing very well incidentally, since there have also been formed recently a Wolf Cub Pack and Boy Scout Troop under the leadership of Mr. George Mann.

The Fallis Sunday School entertainment was held in the evening of the same day. Mrs. Heath, the superintendent, is to be commended for her continued interest, walking some five miles each Sunday to meet her pupils.

Christmas Communions were held at Seba Beach and Rexboro on the fourth Sunday in Advent, while in the afternoon of the same day a Carol Service was held at Duffield. The Carol Service at Wabamun was held on Christmas Eve, followed next morning by a celebration of Holy Communion. Holy Communion was also said at Duffield on Christmas Day, preceded by the playing of recordings of bells and carols through a public address system kindly loaned by Mr. Morrison.

On St. John's Day the Vicar made his way to Tomahawk for a Carol Service and Christmas Communion. At the same time the infant daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John King, and of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth King, were baptized. There was a good congregation and it is most unfortunate that circumstances preclude the holding of services more than three or four times a year. On the following morning we celebrated the Holy Communion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Ryley at Gainford.

Here again it is to be regretted that services can be held no more frequently.

The Christmas services were somewhat anti-climaxed by what should have been Midnight Eucharist on New Year's Eve. The Vicar motored from Onoway to find one faithful communicant waiting for the service.

Confirmations will be held on Whitsunday, June 9th. Names of intending candidates should be sent to the parish priest as soon as possible. Course of instruction have commenced in some centres and will be organized wherever necessary.

"The occasional paper" is sent out as necessary to all known Church families. If you do not receive it, please send your name to the Vicar. It will also be mailed to friends of the parish living elsewhere on request.

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ST. JOHN'S, ONOWAY

THE REV. F. A. PEAKE

Christmas was anticipated a little at St. John's by holding of the annual Carol Service on the fourth Sunday in Advent. We were very grateful to Mr. A. L. Morrison of St. Aidan's Church, Rexboro, for the loan of public address equipment by means of which we were able to play recordings of bells and carols before each of the Christmas services. At the carol service, which was quite well attended, several well known carols were sung by the congregation, interspersed with the

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reading of the Christmas story and the singing of some lesser known carols by the choir, with Mrs. M. R. Parker at the organ.

On Christmas Eve the usual midnight celebration of the Holy Eucharist was sung with a large attendance, although there were not quite so many communicants as last year.

The Sunday School party is being planned as these notes go to print and it has just been announced that the attendance prize goes this time to Victor Dales.

ST. TIMOTHY'S, CALAHOO

The Christmas season was marked at Calahoo by the showing of the slides entitled "The Other Wise Man," a Sunday or two before Christmas, and by the Christmas Communion on December 30th. Both were well attended.

ST. LUKE'S, SION

For some time past Sion church has been in a sort of "no man's land," being nearer to Onoway although actually in the parish of Barrhead. At the request of the parishioners the Vicar of Onoway visited the church on December 30th for a Christmas service. There was a large attendance and it is hoped to arrange further services on February 3rd, and March 31st.

Three General Matters:

1. Confirmation will be held in the Onoway and Wabamun Missions on Whitsunday, June 9th. Names of intending candidates should be sent to the parish priest at once.

2. "The Parish News-Letter" is a monthly sheet of parish news and announcements and is mailed to all known Church families. If you do not receive it please write your name and address on a postcard and mail it to the Vicar at the address below. It will also be sent to friends of the parish living elsewhere on request.

3. THE EDMONTON CHURCHMAN subscriptions to this magazine are now due and should be given to the churchwardens of your church or sent direct to: The Reverend, the Vicar of Onoway, St. John's Vicarage, Onoway, Alberta. Telephone 12.

DRAYTON VALLEY

MISS BARBARA ONIONS

The W.A. held their annual Bazaar on November 30th, in the community hall. It was well attended and very successful, the proceeds amounting to about \$170.00. The many beautiful things on sale showed how hard the members must have worked throughout the year.

The Junior members of the congregation presented a Nativity Pageant on Jan. 3rd in the community hall. It was very reverently and well done by all those taking part and much appreciated by all who saw it.

Mr. Hamilton attended the Conference in Edmonton as delegate from this Mission. He gave us an informal report on the Diocese and meeting, after Evensong on Sunday and told us how deeply impressed he had been with everything.

The W.A. have given some much needed new hymn books for the church.

Confirmation classes are being held at the Mission House on Friday afternoons. If there are any who would like to be prepared for confirmation but are unable to attend this class will they please let Miss Onions know.

ST. JOHN'S, CADOMIN

THE REV. T. W. TEAPE

Our church was very nicely decorated for Christmas, and we extend our sincere thanks to Catherine and Lillian for their good work.

The Christmas services were very well attended. After the Midnight Service, Miss Moldown was presented with a gift in appreciation of her faithful service as organist throughout the year.

Mr. H. V. Coppinger was our delegate to the Anglican Conference which was held recently in Edmonton.

The B.R.F. and Bible Class are meeting again, after being discontinued during the holiday season.

LUSCAR

The W.A. met at the home of Mrs. Mordene for their December meeting.

The annual meeting was held at the home of Mrs. H. Roberts on January 10th. The election of officers resulted as follows:

President, Mrs. R. Davies; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Gagnon; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. E. Cowling; Asst. Sec., Mrs. H. Roberts; Little Helpers' Sec., Mrs. Danyluk; Reader, Mrs. H. Evans.

It was decided that we send Mrs. Davies as a delegate to the W.A. Convention.

Our organist, Mrs. Cowling, was presented with a coffee table. The presentation was made by Mrs. Gagnon who gave a very appropriate address for the occasion.

We are pleased to welcome back from overseas Pte. Arthur Baker.

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ST. SAVIOUR'S, VERMILION

VEN. W. LEVERSEDGE

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held in the new rectory on January 10th and was well attended. The various reports of the year's work were read, and it was generally agreed that it had been a very successful year from every standpoint. The following officers were elected for the year 1946:

Pres., Mrs. Gordon Williams; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Buckingham; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. Rogan; Sec., Mrs. E. Sweatman; Treas., Mrs. Reid; Little Helpers' Sec., Mrs. Buckingham; U.T.O. Sec., Mrs. Scott; Dorcas Sec., Miss Bury; Flower Fund Sec., Mrs. Robson; Educa'l. Sec., Mrs. Leversedge; Prayer Partner, Mrs. Sinclair; Living Message Sec., Mrs. Leversedge.

Mrs. Robson and Miss Bury were appointed delegates to the Annual Meeting in Edmonton, February 19th, 20th and 21st. A very dainty lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Leversedge.

The first business meeting of the year was held January 17th, at the home of Mrs. Robson, with Mrs. Rogan as Tea hostess. Much correspondence and many accounts were attended to, and several new subscribers to the "Living Message" were secured. It was decided that a visiting committee be appointed each month. Mrs. Buckingham and Mrs. Robson volunteered for this month. It was also decided that a donation be given to the Choir for new hymn books. The next meeting, which will be Educational, will be held January 31st at the rectory.

ST. ALBAN'S, CHAILEY

Much to our keen disappointment we were unable to have our Christmas service on December 23rd owing to severe weather and bad roads. However there

was a nice congregation on January 6th, when we celebrated Holy Communion.

We are glad to welcome home from overseas Sydney Jackson.

Gerald Coulter, stationed at Lethbridge, was home for five days at New Year's.

In lieu of our delegate and substitute to Synod Mr. Hollyoake was appointed to attend.

It was decided to hold the annual congregational meeting directly after the Ladies' Club meeting, January 23rd, at the home of Mrs. W. R. Cornish.

Chailey Community Club held its annual meeting and children's Christmas party at Mrs. T. H. Rostron's. A complete report of the year's work and financial standing was given, 1945 being the most successful. During the year money donations were sent to St. John's Home, Red Cross, Cigarette Fund and local Rest Room. The overseas boys from Chailey have been supplied with cigarettes and gum every three months. Six ditty bags filled; the interior of the church painted and varnished, and a curtain purchased for the vestry door.

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INNISFREE

THE REV. S. J. BELL

The W.A. held their annual meeting on January 9th. It was found that a good year's work had been done. We had twelve business meetings and nine devotional meetings, including a St. Andrew's Day Intercession service, and we joined with the W.A. of the United Church in a service on the World's Day of Prayer.

All our financial obligations have been met and there is a nice little bank balance. The officers for 1946 are: President, Mrs. O. Myhre; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Reeves; Sec.-Treas., Miss A. Bell; Dorcas Sec., Miss Sadie Hughes.

WILBERFORCE

THE REV. S. J. BELL

The Christmas Service was not very well attended but Holy Communion was celebrated and there were six communants.

On December 17th the W.A. held a Christmas party for the children of the district and presents and candy were distributed to the happy youngsters.

The annual meeting of the W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. F. Elliott on January 4th and new officers were elected: Pres., Mrs. A. McCuaig; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Ed. Kelly; Sec., Mrs. W. Davies; Treas., Mrs. F. Elliott. Special thanks to the retiring officers, Mrs. F. Davies and Mrs. H. Milburn for ten years of faithful service.

Holy Baptisms: December 9th, Brian Earl Kelly and Bruce Erling Kelly.

KITSCOTY

The W.A. of St. John's, Kitscoty, held their annual meeting on the 10th at the home of Mrs. Seabrook. Election of officers resulted in the following being returned by acclamation: President, Mrs. Fox; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Apperson; Sec., Mrs. Seabrook; Dorcas, Mrs. Joy; Little

Helpers, Mrs. A. Potter. The financial statement showed a very successful year, and a sum was put away towards a vicarage fund.

It was decided to send a delegate this year to the annual meeting in Edmonton in February.

CLANDONALD

THE REV. W. J. BRANT

Our Christmas services were all very well attended in spite of the great snow-drifts in some of the country places. The district around Landonald is very bad, also Golden Valley. The people at Golden Valley phoned to Blackfoot to say it was impossible to get to their district, so the Christmas Communion was not held.

The W.A. of Saint Mary the Virgin, Clandonald, held their annual meeting which was very well attended. The election of officers for the year 1946 resulted as follows: Hon. Pres., Mrs. E. Stockwell; Pres., Mrs. J. Hartwell; Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. Currie; Sec., Mrs. C. Stockwell; Treas., Mrs. T. Souder; Living Message, Mrs. C. White; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. J. Roe; Little Helpers' Sec., Mrs. W. Brant; Junior Auxiliary, Mrs. W. Brant and Mrs. J. Hollinbeck. Delegates to the Deanery, Mrs. Hartwell and Mrs. C. Stockwell; Diocesan Delegates, Mrs. W. Brant and Mrs. E. Stockwell.

The W.A. held a very successful bazaar in the Orange Hall, making a net profit of \$94.00.

The President has started a new idea for the W.A. members where different members are responsible for the program every month in the year.

Saint Mary's Sunday School: The Sunday School scholars had their Christmas tree in the Orange Hall. The children sang many carols, gave recitations, and gave a very good dialogue of the Birth of Christ. At the close of the entertainment the children gave their White Gifts, of which there were many. All were sent to the Crippled Children's Hospital in Calgary. On leaving each child was presented with a large Prayer card, and nuts, candies, and oranges. Much credit is due to the Sunday School teachers—Mrs. Goddard, Mrs. Geake and Miss I. Shaw. Also we extend our hearty thanks to Mr. Geake and to Mrs. C. Thompson.

Rural Deanery of Wainwright

WAINWRIGHT

THE REV. L. A. BRALANT

We were happy to welcome the Rev. E. J. Heuer again to tell us something of the great work of the Bible Society. He gave an illustrated lecture in the parish hall. The annual canvass for funds is almost completed throughout the area, and to date nearly \$150 has been subscribed.

St. Thomas' W.A. has been very busy. The annual Christmas-time sale and tea was a tremendous success, and it was inspiring to see the hall so packed. The President, Mrs. Arkwright, and Work

work. The Rector presented these two faithful servants with Prayer books from the congregation of St. Thomas' Church. We trust that their rest and change in Edmonton will be beneficial to them, and that they may come back again to Wainwright.

An unusual service was held on Dec. 16th when an Honour Roll inscribed with thirty-three names of men and women who volunteered for service during the war was unveiled in the church. The unveiling was carried out by Capt. R. G. Ashbury, acting commandant of Wainwright camp, in the presence of a large congregation. Officers and other ranks from the camp were in attendance, as were also members of the Canadian Legion. The church thus recognizes and pays tribute to those of its sons and daughters who were willing to offer themselves for the great cause of Christian civilization and truth.

With this issue of the magazine we send greetings to all our readers. We pray that all who profess to be members of the Church will show that they are so in deed and truth as well as in name. There is much to be done: recruits are needed for Vestry, Sunday School, W.A., and other vital branches of the work. Sometimes the excuse is offered that we are "too busy," but we have to face the fact that often our "busyness" is an uncreative waste of human energy. If we really believe that Christ and this Church has a message for a distraught world, we must play our part in making that message known, understood and acted upon. Let us put first things first in 1946 and so play our part in making a reality the vision splendid of "a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness."

Holy Baptism: 21st November, Norman Stanley Flamond.

Holy Matrimony: 16th November, Robert W. A. Roberts and Helene M. Boyd; 14th December, Steve Shaban and Catherine D. Wilkins.

Burial: 18th December, John Robert Allinson.

ST. MARY'S, EDGERTON

THE REV. V. COLE

Christmas Day Service was well attended, and thirty-five or more communicated. We appreciated the fact that the Rev. V.

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Cole drove well over 300 miles to be present, otherwise it might not have been possible for us to have had a service at all on this Day of days.

Mrs. Dudley Sawyer entertained the Sunday School pupils at her home for the annual Christmas party, and from all accounts everyone had a most enjoyable time.

We are glad indeed to welcome Miss Elsie Ford as choir leader; her pleasing voice is a great help to the girls, and should aid considerably in giving the younger members greater confidence.

The Senior W.A. held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. F. W. Darling, and plans were made for still greater efforts this year, although last year's work was quite gratifying.

Mr. Cole has re-organized the Boy Scouts and Cub groups. The boys are extremely keen and think very highly of their new leader, so we will all hope that such a happy state will long continue.

Marriage: Gordon W. F. Ballymore to Rose Bilton.

ST. MATTHEW'S, VIKING

S.S. by Post: As we are not fortunate enough to have a local Sunday School we decided we would have a Christmas entertainment for our Sunday School by Post members in order to bring them into contact with their Church and to show them our interest in them. The parish hall was decorated for the occasion and a gaily decorated tree set up. Everyone joined in singing carols, after which the children played games. During the afternoon Santa arrived with gifts and treats for each child. There was plenty of ice cream for everyone and a delicious lunch served.

W.A.: We held our annual W.A. meeting at the home of Mrs. R. C. Smith on January 10th, with 10 members present. Reports were read and a most successful year shown, with all obligations met. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., Mrs. H. Rayment; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Milne; Sec., Mrs. H. Child; Treas., Mrs. R. C. Smith; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. R. Clarke.

The Rev. V. Cole conducted the Holy Communion Service on Sunday, January 13th. His address was most helpful.

HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

Services: The Ven. S. F. Tackaberry drove from Viking on Sunday, Dec. 23rd, for Evensong at 7.30 p.m. In keeping with the season the church was prettily decora-

ted with holly, spruce and poinsettias. The Rev. V. Cole also came for Evensong on January 13th, and due to the sudden change in weather must have had a tiring and difficult time bucking snowdrifts between Viking, Rodino and Tofield. It was impossible to arrive on time for Evensong. The congregation felt that Mr. Cole must have encountered difficulties enroute so Mr. J. W. Robinson carried on with the service until the arrival of Mr. Cole. His message concerning the Anglican Advance Appeal was sincere and thoughtful, he compared the amount of money spent annually on liquor, tobacco, etc., and the amount given to missions. It is a rather appalling situation and gives one much room for thought. When the financial canvass in the interests of "The Anglican Advance Appeal for Re-dedication and Thank-offering" is launched let us do our utmost to help in this campaign. We did it in the past in connection with the Restoration Fund and we can do it again if we each put our shoulder to the wheel.

We understand the annual meeting will be held on February 10th, after Evensong. Please keep this in mind and watch your local paper to verify the date.

Let us also keep in mind the "World Day of Prayer" service which is always held on the first Friday in Lent. This year it comes on March 8th, and as we alternate churches for this event it will be held in the United Church at 3 p.m. A cordial invitation is extended to all women to join us in this beautiful service.

On page 6 of the January issue of THE EDMONTON CHURCHMAN mention is made of the annual subscription to this magazine. The Treasurer, Mr. W. Bellamy, is anxious to get this money in as early as possible. If you have not already placed your envelope on the collection plate at church for this purpose, would you kindly do so at one of the services or if you prefer either send or give it direct to Mr. W. Bellamy.

Mr. J. W. Robinson and Mr. W. F. H. Swinton attended the Diocesan dinner for Anglican men at the Macdonald Hotel, Edmonton, on January 7th, in honor of the Primate of All Canada. The former also attended the sessions in the Cathedral on the following morning. Mrs. J. W. Robinson also attended the special meeting on the Wednesday, in Christ Church parish hall, for the members of the Diocesan Women's Auxiliary. Again the Primate gave a very human and interesting address.

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IMMANUEL, WETASKIWIN

THE REV. W. T. ELKIN

While the attendance was no larger than in other years, due no doubt to the stormy evening, the annual meeting of the parish held on Friday, January 18th, was an enthusiastic one and broke several records. Reports showed the past year to be the best one ever experienced in our church life, all departments showing satisfactory

credit balances. For the first time missionary apportionment and pension fund were met with offerings contained on the red side of the duplex envelopes. The congregation unanimously accepted the quota of \$1,427.50 and more if possible, for the Advance Appeal, after Col. Baker, Capt. Palfrey and Mr. Crook had given enthusiastic accounts of their impressions of the recent meeting held in Edmonton

during the visit of the Primate of all Canada.

Last year a renovation fund was started and has now reached the sum of \$1,200.00. It will be used from time to time to recondition and keep in repair the parish property. Thanks are due to the W.A. for their gift of \$100.00 and to the Evening Group for \$70.00.

Tribute was paid to the Rector and Mrs. Elkin for their untiring efforts on behalf of the congregation, and to Mrs. Maggs for her voluntary services as organist.

Capt. Palfrey who has faithfully discharged the duties of Rector's Warden for the last five years, asked to be relieved and the Rector announced Mr. Crook had accepted his invitation to fill the office.

Mr. Payne who for a number of years has been superintendent of the Sunday School found it necessary to resign last autumn, and after reorganization, the work is being carried on by Mrs. Elkin, Mrs. Hayter and Miss Edna Loder, in a successful manner.

In his report the Rector referred to the 100% attendance of the A.Y.P.A. at a corporate communion. He also spoke of the memorial plaque to be placed in the church in memory of those from the congregation who had made the supreme sacrifice in the war, and to a memorial window to the memory of Mr. Clifton E. Compton, one of the founders of the parish and our first warden. This is the gift of his widow and family.

Col. Baker was elected People's Warden by acclamation. Mrs. Cole, President of the W.A.; Mrs. McFarland, President of the Evening Group; Mrs. Hellam, Capt. Palfrey, Mr. Payne, Mr. Cole, Mr. Rowland, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Manley, Mr. Blockside, Mr. Beeston, Mr. Grierson and the Wardens comprise the Vestry. Messrs. Palfrey, Crook and Manley are lay delegates to Synod.

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ST. PAUL'S, LEDUC

THE REV. W. T. ELKIN

Services are held in St. Paul's on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 3 p.m. Evensong on the 2nd Sunday; Holy Communion on the 4th Sunday.

Marriage: Schofield-Loggin—United in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, Dec. 29th, Wm. Schofield of St. Catherines, Ontario, and Elizabeth Alberta Loggin of Leduc.

W.A.: The annual meeting of St. Paul's W.A. was held on January 17th. Reports presented showed a very successful year. Election of officers resulted as follows: Pres., Mrs. H. Moss; Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. Loggin; Sec., Mrs. A. Dickson-Treas., Mrs. G. Jobb; Little Helpers' Sec., Mrs. R. Armstrong.

Reports presented at the annual parishioners' meeting on the same evening showed that all commitments had been met through the voluntary offerings of the congregation, and that a bank balance remains. A resolution to accept the quota in the Advance Appeal was passed and assurance given that every effort would be made to raise the amount asked. Officers elected were: Rector's Warden, Mr. H. Moss; People's Warden, Mr. N. Wilkinson; Vestry: Mesdames A. Dickson, O. Armstrong, and Messrs. A. Loggin, N. Allin, G. Jobb; Lay Delegate, Mr. H. Moss.

The Junior Choir has assisted in the recent Sunday services. The training they are receiving is achieving excellent results.

ST. MARY'S, PONOKA

THE REV. W. T. ELKIN

The parish hall was crowded with parents and friends to see the Christmas program on Saturday, December 22nd. The program was well arranged and the children gave their parts very well. Santa made his usual appearance to the delight of the smaller members of the audience. Lunch, candies and apples were given out following the departure of Santa Claus.

A large congregation attended the "Welcome Home" service held on Jan. 6th. Fifty-six names of those who had served were read from the Honor Roll and special mention was made of four who gave their lives in the cause. The service personnel were assured that their fellow parishioners were interested in them and their problems of rehabilitation.

The January meeting of the W.A. was held on January 9th at the home of Mrs. Northcott, with Mrs. Paterson and Mrs. Northcott as hostesses. Mrs. Stretch, Mrs. Northcott and Mrs. Wilson were chosen as delegates to the Annual Convention. Plans were made for catering to the bonspiel being held the week of the 15th. Discussion took place in regard to forming an evening group of the W.A. Three conveners were appointed: Mrs. Chandler to take charge of the fancy work and Mrs. Paterson and Mrs. Chandler the sick and visiting committee.

ST. JOHN'S, MILLET

THE REV. W. ELKIN

The Guild held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. R. Newbold, on January 2nd. Mrs. Newbold was re-elected as President, and Mrs. Gardiner as Secretary. Mrs. Griffiths, our Treasurer, is also in charge of the sewing. Arrangements were made to hold a series of whist drives during the winter, the first to be held at the home of Mrs. Gardiner on Friday, January 18th.

Mr. J. M. Clarke attended the Conference in Edmonton and will give his report at the annual meeting.

CAMROSE

THE REV. A. WALLIS

We held our annual meeting on the 8th of January, and this year tried a plan new to us—viz. that of a nominating committee. We were pleased to introduce to the meeting our new President, Mrs. L. Murrant. The other officers are: Vice-Pres., Mrs. H. H. Bradley; Sec., Mrs. R. Fuller; Treas., Miss J. Roper; Dorcas Sec., Mrs. McDonald; J.W.A. Sec., Miss M. Stuholme.

We had a happy and successful year under Mrs. Bradley, and mean to do our best for our new president, confident that "His strength shall make us strong."

ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

A Choral Communion Service was held Christmas morning at 11 o'clock. The attendance was good and everyone seemed glad to sing once more the beautiful carols and hymns.

The Sunday School party, Dec. 28th, was a very happy occasion. The Rev. A. Wallis and Mrs. Wallis were present and helped so much to entertain the children. Games, carol singing and a bountiful lunch were much enjoyed, and then the distribution of gifts brought to a close a happy afternoon. Once more we say "thank you" to Mr. and Mrs. C. Lomas for providing ice cream for everyone, a real treat.

ST. JOHN'S, SEDGEWICK

THE REV. F. W. BAKER

We were honoured by a visit from the Bishop to the whole parish on Advent Sunday. Attendances were good, and many have spoken of his thought-provoking message. We shall look forward to another visit soon.

The annual Tea and Sale of Work by members of the W.A. was a huge success and between \$350 and \$400 was the cash result. Our thanks to all who by their work, presence and purchases supported this effort. The finishing of our new parish hall is assured when material is available.

The reports read at the annual meeting of the W.A. were most encouraging. Mrs. Vickerman is the new President.

St. John's Church was filled for the Christmas Eve Mid-night Service, and was beautifully decorated. The carol singing was most hearty and we all felt that it was a very happy service and the right way to begin Christmas Day.

December 28th was the day of our Sunday School Christmas tree. This party was held in our parish hall—not finished yet, but made comfortable for the occasion. Everyone had a jolly time and enjoyed the singing of Gordon and Brene-thwin Blackman, a group of girls of our Sunday School and the boys who were determined not to be left out.

Burials: Mr. F. Webber, and Christina MacKenzie, of St. John's Church, Sedgewick.

ST. GEORGE'S, KILLAM

The service at 10 p.m. Christmas Eve was nicely attended, not a large congregation, but all our church people who could be present were there.

The annual reports of the W.A. were encouraging, and the Tea and Bazaar very successful. The membership is not large in Killam but they do work hard. Mrs. Felgate retains the office of President for 1946.

Married: Melvin Holand, of Viking, and Frances Jessie Child, of Killam, in St. George's Church, Killam, on December 28th, 1945.

ALL SAINTS', LOUGHEED

The Christmas Service at Lougheed was held on the Sunday before Christmas and was very well attended.

The W.A. reports are not at hand, but we know that it has been a good year for this branch, too.

ST. MARK'S, HARDISTY

Hardisty's Christmas Service was at 11 a.m. Christmas Day and was a very happy service. The attendance was not large but most of our Church people were present.

Mrs. Young is the new President of the W.A. here. The annual meeting was a very happy affair at the home of Mrs. F. Matthews. The reports were read and we all felt that the year's activities and results were most encouraging. The Bazaar was very successful.

Burial: Rose Mary Matthews of St. Mark's Church, Hardisty.

HOLY TRINITY, HUGHENDEN

The bad weather on the morning of Sunday, December 23rd, rather spoiled our attendance, but the few of us gathered together were glad we had come to make our Christmas Communion.

The W.A. Tea and Bazaar held in the vicarage was a happy occasion, more like a family get-together. Reports are not at hand but we know they will be good when we receive them.

Mrs. Martineau, for many years a very active member of our Church and W.A., has gone to Edmonton, and may make her home there. We do and shall miss her very much. We know that our loss will be someone else's gain, but we have not yet reached the point where we can get much consolation out of that thought.



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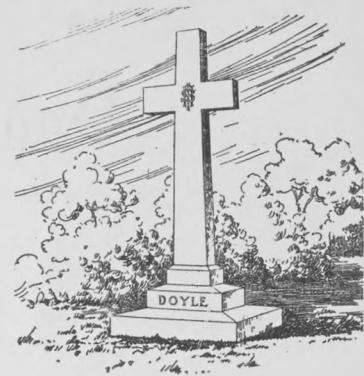
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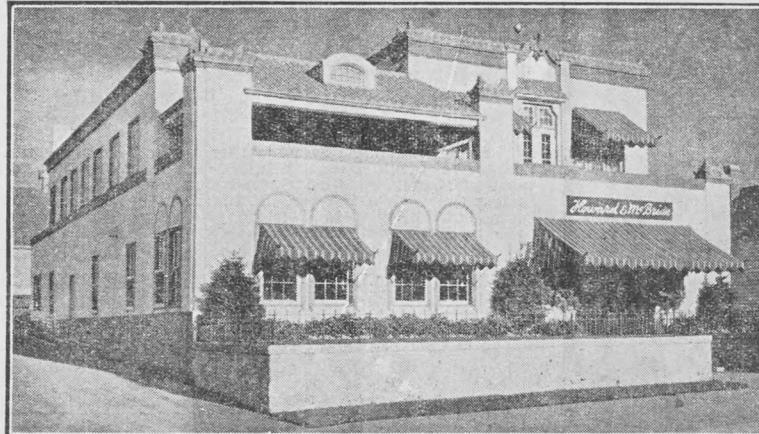
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